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JOHN MERCER LANGSTON.

THE DEAD LEADER STILL LIVES IN THE HEART OF HIS PEOPLE.

A TRIBUTE---HIS RACE WAS WELL

Bun—In an Address Delivered by W. O. LaMonte, at Springfield, Ill., Recently—A Noble Character Well Set Forth—A Useful Life.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: John Mercer Langston was a fair type of what a man of the Negro race may become when given a chance. The world views this race through spectacles of narrow prejudice. When some black man breaks down the barriers of birth or circumstances, set to hold his aspiring spirit in a pale of small achievement and conquers by sheer merit a proud place on the field of education, law, oratory or patriotism, or as Langston did, in all these fields of usefulness, men stand stark with surprise. They view him with a startled feeling, like that with which one greets a flower amid the towering Alps, in the very midst of those catapults of nature whose missiles are the avalanches.

A singer, the notes of whose lyre were familiar to our grandparents, Mrs. L. H. Sigourney has beautifully told of this surprise:

"Did some white-winged messenger
On Mercy's mission trust your timid germ
To the cold cradle of eternal snows?
Or, breathing on the callous icicles,
Bid them with tear drops nurse ye?

Tree nor shrub
Dare that drear atmosphere; no polar pine
Uprears a veteran front; yet there ye stand,
Leaning your cheeks against the thick-ribbed ice,
And looking up with brilliant eye to Him
Who bids you bloom unblanched amid the waste
Of desolation."

Or they stand in his presence wrapt in wonder, like the penitent pilgrim painter of Bearn before the Cagot maiden. In a recent novel self-described as a "Romance of the Pyrenees," is a realistic picture of the home of a branded and exiled people. Falsely branded and cruelly exiled by ignorant prpejudice. The soil they tilled for scanty crops, and upon which rested their cabin homes, in which dwelt family purity and honor, was held in arms of those mountain giants of rock, whose craggy heads caught the glory of lengthening sunshine and were whitened by the frosts of winter eternal.

When the artist whose soul so thirsted for beauty beheld Sarande, that radient daughter of one of the Cagot people, whose beauty was so oriental, so florid and so voluptuously tropical, he was most amazed to find her amid such rough tnd frigid surroundings.

But I think those sturdy oaks, like Langston, Douglass, Banneker, Phylis Wheatley, Attucks or Placido, are grown by the Negro race because they are the natural expected product of such soil when not repressed by man's cruel and unjust hamperings.

Quit looking at these people through the mists of misrepresentation that shrouded them in the ante lucem days, before the advancing light of freedom drove hate from the minds of men.

I wish I might sketch a picture of slavery in Virginia, where Langston was born; of the degradation and misery that went in its train. It would be a picture in black and white. Misery for the black and degradation for the white. If Virginia was the mother of slavery, as well as of Presidents, do not forget that white men were bought and sold in that venerable colony, white backs have felt the lash of the master, and hounds have tracked the slave whose skin had been bleached by generations of assumed superiority. You cannot make a picture all black—you must make it of black and white.

Mankind loves a hero. I have in mind now a picture of heroism. All eyes are now turned upon Cuba, and we wait with baited breath the outcome of her struggle for liberty.

Less than sixty years ago there lived in that island a slave richly endowed with genius. A number of white men admiring his talents purchased his freedom. Being himself free he strove to strike the fetters from others, and planned an insurrection which failed; for doing which he was condemned to die. He wrote a magnificent hymn during the night before his execution, while his songs were sung and poems read in the finest society of Havanna. On the field of death he stepped before the line of bayonets and said in Spanish: "Adieu, O world; there is no justice nor pity for me here. Soldiers fire." Five bullets pierced his frame, but he still lived. Putting his hand to his heart he said: "Fire here." This is a picture of lowly genius and heroism.

On what is the present site of Market street and East Broadway in New York once stood the orchard of Col. Henry Rutgers. On the 2nd day of September, 1776, a Yale athlete who had volunteered to enter the enemy's line and had been caught, stood there and faced his country's foes to speak words that shall never die: "If I had ten thousand lives I would lay them down in defense of my injured, bleeding country—I only regret that I have but one life to lose for my country." Thus did Nathan Hale make a picture of patriotic bravery and noble self-sacrifice on the altar of liberty. These are pictures in black and white.

A hundred and sixty-five years ago Benjamin Banneker, son of pure African parents, first saw light of day in Maryland. Amid scanty supplies of books he mastered the knowledge of Latin, Greek, German and French. He made discoveries in mathematics and astronomy. He possessed the friendship and was admired by Thomas Jefferson. LaFayette spoke of him to French savants as "the Negro Philosopher." His writings and friendships in France did much to secure liberty in San Domingo. Pitt, Wilberforce and Buxton were his friends in England. No stone marks his grave, but his learning is an imperishable monument. This is a picture of triumph over obstacles to attain knowledge.

Benjamin Franklin, son of a tallow chandler and boiler of soap, burst through the difficulties that beset him and became the first American of his time. He was crowned victor in the varying arenas of statesman, philosophy, literature, diplomacy, science and invention. By the way, his last act was to sign a memorial to Congress by an Anti-slavery Society of which he was president. His last literary labor was his famous parody of Jackson's speech on the sacredness of slavery, in which he placed Jackson's arguments in the mouth of a member of the Divan of Algiers, fortified by texts from Koran to show the sacred right of the African to enslave the white man. This is a picture of a Gulliver of genius breaking the lilliputian chords of circumstances. These are pictures in black and white.

I could go on through the history of the races in this way—or as the feasting Romans would say, "from the egg to the apples," but these instances illustrate my point. It is stated by Tiedman on the Brain of the Negro, in the Philosophical Transactions, 1838, page 497, thus: "The degradation of this race of men, therefore, must be regarded as the result of external causes, and not of natural, inherent and original capacity." To this testimony of a scientist I will add the statements of two statesmen, who to all Americans speak ex cathedra. Thomas Jefferson wrote, Aug. 30, 1791: "Nature has given to our black brethren talents equal to those of other colors of men." Alexander Hamilton, the greatest mind of the Anglo-Saxon race, with the possible exception of the Bard of Avon, has said of Negroes: "Their natural faculties are as good as ours." My friends of lighter skin, cut away the bands of prejudice and let our black brother loose. He will run the race and gain the crown of respect—by deserving it. Let every black man fight against opposing circumstances and in the realm of patriotism carry his own banner with this glowing motto: ducit amor patrae—The love of my country leads me on.

REV. D. S. MOTEN,
Of Terrell, Tex. See article "Universal Education," on Second Page.

Tuscumbia Brief.

Tuscumbia, Ala., Special.—Miss M. T. Ross, who has been teaching in Mississippi, is now at home. * * Rev. A. A. Sensabaugh, of the A. M. E. church, preached at Sheffield, Ala., Jan. 30th. * * Mrs. L. B. Meredith is on the sick list this week. * * The Senior grade of the city school gave a splendid entertainment on the 4th inst. for the benefit of the Library. * * Rev. C. W. Gray, of Sheffield, Ala., preached at the A. M. E. church last Sunday. * * An excellent concert was given on the 4th inst., through the management of Prof. C. W. Carns, for the benefit of St. Paul school. * * The people of Hendersontown are preparing to build a school house. They have already purchased house. They have already purchased the land. Mrs. C. W. Carns is their teacher. * * If you want up-to-date news, just read The Freeman.

A SLAVE IN THE LAND

IS THE NEGRO WHO FORMS A LARGE PORTION OF THE POPULATION.

FROM BARBARISM TO CIVILIZATION.

Grouping His Way in the Darkness He is Making Rapid Strides to Progress—He is Not a Menance to Liberty and Christianity.

Of all the nationalities entering into the component parts of our civilization, the Negro is the most thoroughly American; he was here before the foundations of the government were laid. Although a slave in the land of the free, plundered and despoiled in the home of the brave, he has grown with its growth, unfolded with its development, participated in all its conflicts and given his life for the life of the nation. No other class of our citizens are united to this land by such peculiar ties.

The Indian who has been here from the beginning, rejected Anglo-Saxon civilization, and is paying the price in the doom of destruction and annihilation, which is fast causing him to disappear. He has been among us, but not of us. He has rejected our religion, refused to adopt our customs, and seems incapable of entering into the spirit of our institutions. The other nationalities who for various reasons have left their homes beyond the sea to become Americans, have proven their right to wear this title as a badge of honor, and to transmit it forever untarnished. But these people coming thither from the vaarious countries of Europe have brought with them languages, customs, laws, and however freely they may have been willing to enter into the spirit of our life, they have brought with them more or less into our civilization, traditions, ideas and customs, the survival of despotic and decaying civilizations which impede in her progress and high destiny this latest and best birth of civilization and liberty. And be it remembered that the various European nationalities have been from the beginning, augmented by a steady stream of immigrants, who have, from year to year, come to this side of the sea to unite with their kindred and our country, here.

The Negro, who forms such a large part of our population and citizenship, came not from an old civilization to a new, but from barbarism to civilization; not from tyranny and old world despotism to liberty, but from the freedom of the savage to the bondage of the slave. He brought with him no smoldering hates against dukes, lords, parliaments or kings; no ideas of constitutional government, no political prejudices, no intelligible religious beliefs. Transplanted here from the depths of African heathenism to the depths of American slavery, he came into his new world as plastic as a new born child, with a genius and capacity for entering into every phase of the life about him. He could not relapse into the condition of barbarism and savagery from which he had come if he would, for from the first he was separated from the night of heathenism in which he had groped so long, by continents and oceans, and ere long by generations and centuries. In the midst of his new surroundings, his past was soon forgotten, his language lost, for there was no literature, social intercourse or travel to keep them alive; he was soon emptied of everything which savored of Africa but the color of his skin, and before old Liberty Bell proclaimed the Declaration of Independence he began to fill up on American ideas; from then until now he has remained here to greet the hordes of English, Irish, Germans, French, etc., who for the past century have been flooding our shores.

His ideas are American ideas, not African; his customs and habits and traditions are all American and not on

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"UNIVERSAL EDUCATION."

SAYS THE WRITER, "IS ESSENTIAL"—IN THE BROADEST SENSE

Is the Theme Ably Discussed in the Following Article—Colleges and Seminaries.—Timely Suggestions.

To the Rev. Bishop and Conference:

We, your Committee on Education, beg leave to submit to you the following report:

From Minnesota to Texas, from California to New Jersey, from Greenland to Cape Horn, from North Cape to Cape of Good Hope, from England to Japan, from East Cape to the confines of Australia, from the uppermost apex of the highest heaven to the undermost base of the lowest Cosmos, the general and cosmopolitan subject, education, is being more profoundly considered and more thoroughly discussed now, than ever before in the history of creation.

EDUCATION UNIVERSAL IN COMPREHENSION.

From the soul of the universe to the soul of man, from the Omniscent Creator of all creatures and throughout all creation; of things temporal and eternal natural and spiritual, divisable and indivisible, mortal and immortal, visible and invisible, in all these, from an analytic and synthetic consideration, and from an exegetic and critical examination, education or the material for education obtains or is obtainable.

EDUCATION IN GENERAL.

Life is a school. The world is a school-room. The Creator, the creature and creation and the modus operandi of each, together with their past, present and ultimate aim and objects, humanely speaking, are the limitless and boundless, topless and bottomless study of man in life's school.

One has wisely and well said, "know thyself," but I beg to second the mandate with the addendum, Understand thyself. The colomonic mixim is Wisdom, the principal thing, get wisdom, and with all thy getting get understanding.

Why? One reason is, understanding shall keep thee. The man that has understanding will really and observedly walk uprightly. In other words, the man that has Christ, who is Omniscient knowledge, wisdom and understanding will sincerely and un-pervertingly walk uprightly. Rightly up; not wrongly down or aside. To know thyself, and to understand thyself; to know God and to understand God as God; to know the Creator's creatures and creation and their mode of operation so far as attainable to objectively finite mind; not only is man the sui generis student of time, to be produced, to be brought forth, to be drawn out as one of the limited general definitions of education states it, but man is to be brought up as well as to be brought forth. He is to be instructed as well as to be draw out. Thus to be brought up and to be instructed in the head, in the hand, in the heart, in the entire man, yea this is education. The obtainment of such bringing up, the attainment of such instruction is real education.

Education has been, is and will continue to be, first personal, then relative; first subjective, then objective. First in the man, in the woman, then in the home.

EDUCATION IN THE HOME.

Every home should be a haven.
Every husband should be a prince.
Every wife should be a princess.
Every father should be a priest.
Every mother should be a priestess.
Every son should be a Samuel.
Every daughter should be a Ruth.
Every brother should be a Joseph.
Every sister should be an Esther.

Such mothers and such fathers will bring up and train up, yea instruct, hence educate their sons and daughters in the way they should go, and when the children leave mother and father, or mother and father leave the children, the children will not leave, neither will they reject nor depart from the instruction received from their parents. The word of God is an infallible witness, in these words: Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it. Prov. 22-6.

EDUCATION IN THE COMMUNITY.

Every mother and father and every patriotic citizen is desirous of the propagation of education beyond the confines of the home and fireside. They are interested in the educational cause, in the community in which they are living assuredly.

They are interested and active in

permanent establishment of the kindergarten, the public and high school for the educationally bringing up and instructing the sons and daughters of their parental home and care.

They give attention to and are concerned in the method of administration as well as the establishment of said community schools. They are right.

EDUCATION IN THE STATE.

As education in the community is a supplement and not a supplanter of domestic education, so State education is an addendum to that of the community. As every community in every State should have their community schools, so every State in the Union or Nation should have specific State institutions.

They should be such in the most verifying readily. They should, as all schools of learning should, meet and well fill the need that caused them to be.

With pleasure we note the Texas State schools which are operated by the State and are doing excellent work for people and State.

The Prairie View State school with the energetic and up-to-date Prof. Blackshear, encircled with a loyal band of teachers, among them is the scholarly lady, Miss Carrie K. Johnson, of Ohio, has done and is doing and is expected to do, thorough and good work for Texans and Texas. Not only State normals, but State universities should be a reality in every State in the Union. Permit me to say, please, that where the State schools are not for every student, regardless of color, then there should be one for the Afro-Americans as well as for the Anglo-Americans.

It should be equal in accommodations, in reality; not in name only, as is the Texas Jim and Johnnie Crow car in which we have to travel throughout the confines of Texas.

EDUCATION IN THE NATION.

Round upon round we ascend the institutional ladder from base to apex. National institutions are supplements, or should be, to the various State schools. Every nation, before it attempts to occupy a place by the side of the truly developed nations of the world, should establish and permanently maintain at least one really national institution.

Much talk and various resolutions have been done by our young and robust nation on this line.

The writer read with atetntion a few days ago of the recent modus operandi of the committee of the nation for the establishment of a real and up-to-date national university.

As there is a place in the curriculum of education for the man, the home, the community and State, there is also a place for the nation.

As gospel ministers in our various fields of labor of love and life, let us endeavor to encourage and co-operate with the members of the home, of the community, of the State and of the nation for education and the cause of education in every possible way of utility.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—(a) IN THE CHURCH.

A few thoughts have been expressed on the subject, Education, in a civic and civilized sense.

Of all the nomenclatures applied to education, that of Christian is the greatest and of the highest importance and most profound utility to the church, to the pulpit and pew.

To me, a timely motto: In everything, and in all things Love.

The church of God has stood, is standing and will continue to stand for intelligence, the highest, the holiest, the handiest, the best and the ever abiding—Christian intelligence. The church of God was the prime mover among men, not only in strictly religious matters, but in educational matters also. It was the pristine founder of educational institutions. The various churches in Christendom, nearly, if not all, have their loyal Christian banners unfurled to the world for the cause of Christian education.

Many have their church schools, colleges, universities and seminaries, etc.

We note with inmost heart pleasure the good and effective work being done by the church militant in all of its various nomenclature departments for Christian education.

Education should ever be encouraged and always heartily supported in the Christian church, the place of its organic inception, enthusiastically and permanently and with a super-repletion of continuity by both the pulpit and the pew.

God bless His pulpit and pew throughout Christendom; to encourage much, and to co-operate mightily with the educational workers and work, especially in our Christian and church colleges, universities and seminaries for the educationalism as well as the evangelization of the world.

THE CHURCH STATE EDUCATIONAL CONVENTION.

That God-impressed and God-living Christian man, Bishop J. H. Armstrong, D. D., our own dear and beloved Bishop, under God has begun a wonderful and far-reaching educational movement in Texas. The great convention of June last, which met in Paul Quinn College Chapel, Waco, was one of the verified answers to his many expressed, and unexpressed and inexpressed prayers for the church and its educational work as well as for its spiritual and temporal.

The Holy Spirit moved upon his heart to call a Church State Educational Convention, and at such a time, Paul Quinn College commencement week, in June, and at such a place, Paul Quinn College Chapel, Waco, as could not have been, or could be bettered.

I hope this annual convention of representatives of the entire church, of both the pulpit and the pew, may ever be an honorable, worthy and perpetual Texas monument to the memory of the great-hearted, self-sacrificing and truly religious man, Rt. Rev. J. H. Armstrong, D. D.

(b) IN THE PULPIT.

As the church leads the world in educational activities and operations, so the pulpit or ministry should see to it, unconditionally, that it leads the church in acquired and applied Christian education. Because one reason among many is, if the Pulpit does not lead the Pew, the Pew will certainly lead the Pulpit. Accept it, dear brethren, as orthodoxical, because it is orthodox. Put it down on record as axiomatic because time will prove it to be a true axiom.

Hear St. Paul, the aged, in his advice to the young man Timothy, and to us, young and old, and to every minister in the Gospel of Christ: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

We are commanded to study as well as we are commanded to preach. Let us, therefore, continue to obey both and all commands and be not ashamed in rightly dividing the word of truth. We may roar like a lion or we may mourn like a dove, but if we do not study to show ourselves workmen approved unto God, rightly dividing the word of truth, we shall fail to render the best possible service; and worse still, we may be the chief cause of such failure, and may be rightly classified with the merely tinkling cymbals and sounding gongs.

The theological department in Paul Quinn should be really operative and operating in the fullest sense. It should be encouraged and supported by every Conference in the State of Texas.

I am frank in confessing that it seems to my limited observation to be nearly all, if not all, in the catalogue—on paper. Neither Bishop Armstrong nor President Burgan alone can make it an operative and operating reality.

It is ours—the church, as Paul Quinn is ours—the church.

Therefore if we do not do or help to do, it is non est. Yes, defuncto non est, from an operative and operating point of view.

PAYNE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Payne Theological Seminary, my much esteemed Alma Mater, was founded June 18th, 1891, more than six years ago. It began active work in 1893 with the Sainted Bishop Payne honorary Dean, and the second Paul on Mars Hill, the dear Dr. John G. Mitchell, A. M., then acting, but now permanent Dean. The writer matriculated at its inception as one of the first sons of the Payne Theological Seminary family. I witnessed both the formal and actual opening. Never shall I forget the substance of the discourse of the formal opening by the sainted Bishop Daniel Alexander Payne; neither the address of the Pauline Jno. G. Mitchell, at the actual opening, will ever be forgotten.

Bishop A. D. Payne, the perfect-souled and pure-hearted Christian man, and the prime apostle of an educated Christian ministry, especially in and for the A. M. E. church, has left a legacy to the church in more ways than one that are notable and noted, but especially shall I speak here of his last legacy, Payne Theological Seminary.

How does the A. M. E. church appreciate and value this legacy? Let the scholarly and observant Bishop of the Third Episcopal District, Bishop Benj. F. Lee, D. D., Ph. D., answer. I hear the no-wonder-intense echo, "Not much." Certainly some conferences are doing something and it is also self-evident others are doing nothing. It should not be so. The seminary belongs to the entire A. M. E. Church. It belongs as much to Texas as to Ohio, as much to Africa as to Arkansas. Why not co-operative concentration of material support by the entire connection or church, through its various annual conferences, for Payne? It should be so.

Every annual conference in the entire church, especially in America, should have and sustain a conference scholarship in Payne Seminary.

Even far-off South Africa has two students in the Seminary, while here in civilized America, conferences older than Afro-American freedom have not one representative at Payne. It should not be so. Brother ministers of the West Texas Conference, I repeat, it should not be so.

If the A. M. E. church will not sustain at least one connectional church feeder for its pulpit, some other church will, and the A. M. E. church must either receive the amalgamated churchman or sever former relations.

Brother ministers of the grandest Afro-American church in the world, the church which towers above all others of color as the real, obvious and acknowledged exponent of true and independent, self-exerting manhood, like unto and equal to the manhood of any other ecclesiastical body in Christendom, brethren, shall not Payne Theological Seminary be sustained and supported?

May we hear unified and affirmative replies, supplemented by real action, with solid sincerity, throughout the corridors of the great A. M. E. church, from Michigan to Florida, from California to Africa—"we will, God helping us, we will."

(c) IN THE PEW.

The A. M. E. church has some good schools and colleges. They are second to none of any other Afro-American church, and even equal and exceed in school curriculum and work, some of the schools of our Anglo-American churchman. The A. M. E. church Pew is, therefore, quite well arranged for in church schools and colleges. As the church both of the pulpit and pew, has loyally sustained and supported church schools in the past and is doing so now, it follows that it will keep those college mills continually going and grinding; not grinding triangular seeds into buckwheat, but latent human powers into kinetic, well-developed, polished and useful talents, possessed by manly men and womanly women.

WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

This is our only Church University. Our colleges should be constant feeders to Wilberforce, as the high school should be to the college. There are two intolerable drawbacks to our colleges and universities in maintaining their standards in practice. One is, persons who should be in a kindergarten, primary or public school are sent off to college "to get a head full of knowledge." The other is, persons who should be in a high school or college are sent off to the university. Superior schools should not be intruded upon by inferior ones.

The writer notes what he considers also an intolerable weakness of the A. M. E. church, and that is, its indiscriminate, imprudent and top heavy appelations it gives to some of its church schools. There are some so-called colleges and universities in the A. M. E. church that hardly compare favorably with up-to-date high schools in operative reality.

This is a church weakness to a super-ostentatious degree.

I might, could say as much or more about some other denominaitonal church schools, but I am now confined to Jerusalem. We have only one church university, and that is Wilberforce University.

We have several good colleges and church high schools.

PAUL QUINN COLLEGE.

Our own Paul Quinn, at Waco, is one of the first colleges of the A. M. E. church. It is doing a commendable work. Dr. I. M. Burgan and his able and up-to-date faculty, of which my worthy classmate, Miss Elizabeth Hall, B. S., of Ohio, is a member, from what we can observe and note, are doing thorough work; and we are impressed to state that the educational work at Paul Quinn is in good hands, and the battle against ignorance and sin is being pushed to the very gates; and the walls of unenlightened Jericho are giving way to the firm step and onward march of the education which is for the head, the hand, and the heart.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1st. We recommend that the ministers of the West Texas Conference continue heartily to encourage and help to sustain education and the cause of education in the individual, in the home, in the community, in the State, in the Nation, in the church, both in the pulpit and the pew.

2nd. We recommend that the West Texas Conference, together with the other Texas conferences co-operate actively with the Bishop of the District and the president of Paul Quinn to make and in making its theological department an operative and operating reality.

3d. We recommend that the West Texas Conference sustain and support in reality a conference scholarship in Payne Theological Seminary.

4th. We recommend that the pastors of the churches in our Conference preach at least one special sermon on Christian Education to their church and congregation during the conference year. Supplicating the God of Omniscience to preserve, to protect and to bless our Christian educational workers and its work, and all Christian educational workers and work everywhere. We shall continue while living to be for Christ and the Church and Christian education.

D. S. MOTEN, Chairman
Committee on Education.

A Sensible Opinon.

This is a moderate and sensible opinion, such as was to be expected from him. He believes in the Negro and has good reason for it. Surely no one can say that Mr. Washington himself is not worthy of holding high office. His dark skin is his only disqualification, and it takes an exceedingly illiberal mind to decree that this should exclude him. Being the equal of the best white man both in character and culture, the reason for refusing to grant him equal privileges in the distribution of federal offices is reduced to plain and unadulterated prejudice. Mr. Washington is not himself an office-seeker, but he furnishes an incontrovertible proof that the colored man may be thoroughly fitted to become a public servant capable of doing efficient and honorable service. The opponents of Negro office-holding are practically disarmed so far as Mr. Washington's argument goes, but, of course, they do not care to argue the case.—Milwaukee (Wis.) Sentinel.

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HOMEOPATHY.

Unreconstructed Bishop Wilmer's Application of It to His Work.

This is a story an Alabama man tells me of Bishop Wilmer, and I hope you won't think it too sectional. It happened soon after the war. Bishop Wilmer had gone to a northern city to ask aid for a Confederate orphans' home he was interested in. He hadn't been north for several years, and his old friends gave him a hearty welcome. There was a dinner in his honor, and after dinner the bishop was begged to tell a story or two. The bishop said he hadn't a story.

"But," he added, "I've got a conundrum. Why are we southerners like Lazarus?"

The guests—they were all Union men, by the way—suggested many answers. The southerners were like Lazarus because they were poor, because they ate of the crumbs from the rich man's table; because—because of everything anybody could guess.

"No," said the bishop, "you're all wrong. We're like Lazarus because," and he smiled blandly, "because we've been licked by dogs."

A roar of laughter went round at that, for the bishop's utter unreconstructedness was always one of his charms. Everybody laughed but one mottle faced man, who became very indignant.

"Well," he snorted, "if you think we're dogs, why in—not earth—have you come up here to beg for our money—for the money of dogs?"

The bishop chuckled.

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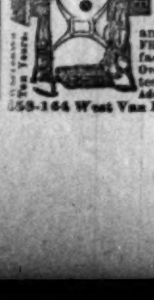

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CHAPTER XXV.

Brown had now reached the age of sober manhood and reason. Miss Brandus had reached the age of cautious womanhood. Both were graduates from the school of observation. The mad emotions of the school boy and girl, which they call love, and which causes them both to leave happy homes almost hatless and rush out and get married, after which event they are homeless, fearing to return to either fire side or friends, had long since been outgrown.

If they had grown madly fond of each other's society there was prudence in their madness. They both knew the unwritten decrees of American social society. They fooled society in the same manner ardent lovers fool parents who oppose them. Social society opposed—in fact forbid—equality between the races or miscegenation, so our friends, like any other embryo lovers, laughed at the locks put between them and at once broke these locks. They fooled "society" in the same manner lovers fool their parents, who have forgotten in the long years between that they themselves married for love. As before stated, when they met on the elevated train Miss Brandus commenced at once to give our hero some "orders" for the next day. All eyes would be upon them and the general conclusion reached was that they were fellow employes. Our friends would then talk over the events of the day or things of interest to kindred minds, in an undertone, without further notice from "the madded crowd" until she reached her station, when she would say: "Well, good night, Forrester. Don't forget to clean my desk in the morning." He would lift his hat and say, "Good night, Miss."

Any transaction where deception is required and "there is a woman in it," if we leave it to her, she will bring about the desired end.

When they first commenced to visit the play house together—or at least the same night—Brown would first buy two choice seats, side by side the night before for the following night. The next day he would say, "Miss Brandus, they say that the play at the Park (or Academy of Music or Grand Opera House)—then the three leading playhouses of Brooklyn—"is a fine play. I think you would enjoy it, and, by the way, I've a good ticket for to-night, if you will accept it. She would accept and attend. So would our hero, but he would always (or at least at first) go late and take his seat in silence. Soon after either he or she would ask the other to kindly let the asker see the programme, which request would be granted, after which the two would have a spirited conversation on the merits or demerits of the play and actors. At last, as time moved on and friendship between the two grew warmer, remembering that they were the only employees of the firm residing in Brooklyn, they threw off the masks and went to the shows together.

Half of the week's evenings Brown spent at her house, where he was a welcome guest. Her aunt had three daughters under twelve, who had not yet discovered the social prescription decreed against Brown's race. The teachings of their mother kept them from seeing the social barriers between the races, so they playfully enjoyed our hero's company and retired when their cousin told them that "Mr. Brown and I want to play this game of chess alone and in peace." Thus a year or two sped by until both of our friends aroused to the fact that each was in love with the other; not a word had been spoken upon this always delicate subject and in this case far more so; still, both knew the fact. What girl does not know that a man loves her, although he tells her not the fact? What man does not know that his love is returned without the "official" utterance in words? It is not strange, therefore, that they knew it, being mind readers, being intelligent, being educated, and—being always together. To be in keeping with romance, we will say that they had learned to love one another.

"Learning is an addition beyond
Nobility of birth, honor or blood."

CHAPTER XXVI.

'Tis said "Fortune knocks once at every man's door." Be the same false or true, Cupid thrice opened the door for Brown to enter and ask the beautiful May Brandus to be his wife. Yes, May once helped the little God of love to open the door.

One winter's evening after Brown and Miss Brandus had been more than friends for two years, as she was homeward bound on the elevated train, her next seat neighbor, a beautiful young Miss, left the train at a station in a great hurry, leaving behind a book—a novel—which our friend, Miss Brandus, picked up and took home. She read the same that night and re-read it the following night to our hero. The story was an East Indian one; the author an Englishman; the hero a native of Calcutta; the heroine a beautiful English young lady of rank and distinction, education and wealth, the only daughter of "a supercilious nabob of the East, a governor or general, (I've forgotten which,") who, of course, wanted his daughter to marry an English peer or a rich American. The villian was a rich young white American. There was a social chasm between the hero and heroine always made wider by the successful plots of the villain, whose inborn native prejudice against dark-skinned people was aided by the natural hate a would-be suiter for a lady's hand always has for the man she truly loves. Miss Brandus (who was a fine reader) read chapter after chapter for hours, until the story was completed. Brown listened with the utmost interest until he saw how it was going to end (long before the reader reached the last chapter). He secretly concluded that she "found" the book in some book store where it was not lost, and had concluded to read it to him for well-known reasons. As she read, she threw her whole soul in her utterance; she seemed to be lost to time or place as she rushed after the maiden and lover in the story, following them through evil as well as good reports.

"The same old chestnut, 'and they were at last married when skies were blue and lived happily together,'" he remarked at the close of the story.

He was standing before the grate fire, with his hands behind him when he made these remarks. Miss Brandus was seated on the sofa opposite. She looked up from the book, her bright blue eyes met the still brighter black ones of our hero. She replied, with a smile, "Mr. Brown, I am surprised to hear a refined, educated gentleman use slang, to say 'chestnut.'"

The love story just read was not a chestnut; it walks far, far out of the pathway of the usual love story, for this girl's lover was of a different race; caste and prejudice forbid the banns; still she loved him and married him. There is no chestnut about this story; no chest—"

"Miss Brandus, I am more than surprised to hear a lady of your position use slang and say 'chestnuts' without the quotation marks. I did not—"

"I beg pardon, but I was following in the footsteps of a perfect gentleman who uses none other than the President's United States, (Give me credit, Forrester, for being original; you see, I did not say the Queen's English.) so the word chestnuts must be correct for moss-covered love stories. I highly esteem this gentle—" She suddenly paused at the sound of her words and left the sentence unfinished. She said to herself, "I must not openly let him know that I love him, not because of his race or complexion, but because it's not right for any girl to let a man know how dearly she loves him until he tells her he dearly loves her."

These were her thoughts and Brown read the same through the medium of the eyes, so he quitely remarked:

"Do you think Lady Bradford did right to follow that—that—well, that fellow through thick and thin and at last marry him? What would you have done if you had been in her slippers?"

"The story does not say she wore slippers."

"Well in her stock—well, in what ever kind of footgear she wore. I don't want to say 'in her shoes,' for like you, I want to quote myself or in other words, to be original."

"If I had been or was in the same position I would marry the man I loved, regardless of the outcome. If ever I do marry I'll marry a companion, a man I love. I will never love any man who has not the literary tasts I think I have. If ever I find my ideal man I—"

"Have you not found him?"

"It is very impolite, Mr. Brown, to interrupt any one when they are talking and I — am — surprised — at — you."

"This, dear Miss, is so far an evening of surprises and—'

"I hope that there are more agreeable ones in store before we part."

"There are, dear Miss May."

Brown was going, from these remarks, to propose and Miss Brandus knew it. She read it in his eyes. Miss Brandus was going to promise to be his wife; he read the answer in her eyes. Cupid also knew that before the morn he would have more evidence to convince a fool that the affections of the heart knows not the color of the skin.

After several knowing smiles had been exchanged, Miss Brandus remarked, "I hardly know where I left off, you so rudely interrupted me."

I'll tell you where you left off and promise to quietly listen to the end. You were just about to tell me (or tell us) what you would do if you were in the place of Miss Bradford, the heroine of the story you have just read with so much, so much—"

"So much what, Forrester?"

"Well, so much interest."

"Were you not interested in the story?"

"Were you not?"

"Answer my question first; it was asked first."

"I was, greatly."

"Well, then."

"Were you, Miss May"

"Yes, sir; I was deeply interested. Why do you laugh."

"Because you do. Laughing is catching, you know."

"Oh, do let me finish what I was going to say."

"With pleasure, Miss, and let me prompt you once more. What would you have done?"

"I would have married the man I loved. I would love the man I married, no matter what the color of his skin was or who objected. I would love none but an equal, an equal not of the kind society would select for me, but one of love's selection, such a selection I would love, honor and obey. I would—" but the sentence was never for Brown advanced with outstretched arms. She advanced and was soon in his embrace. He started to propose as he looked down in her soft blue eyes. "May," he said. Before he could utter more, like a flash a change came over him. He saw who he was, of what race he was, what the world—both the white and the black portion—would say. He remembered American social society's decree, "Thou must not marry her," and he became a coward. She noticed this change, and restored to her memory the favorable answer she was going to make.

They parted soon after for the night; they for the first time parted in a manner all true lovers part. Thus Brown let slip the first opportunity mentioned in the beginning of this chapter. Although he knew that Miss Brandus loved him, he had his doubts if she dare over ride society's decree. His fear and his doubts kept him from doing Cupid's bidding.

"Our doubts are traitors,
And make us loose the good we oft
might win,
By fearing to attempt."
"Oh! how this tyrant, doubt, torments
my breast!
My thoughts, like birds are frightened
from their nest;
Around the place where all was hushed
before
Flutter and hardly nestle any more."

[To be continued.]

Resolutions.

At a meeting of the Afro-American State Protective League of Illinois held in Chicago Mr. John G. Jones offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, it has come to our knowledge that the Hon. Richard T. Greener, of New York City, has been apointed as United States consul to Bombay, India,

"Resolved, That we, members of the Afro-American State Protective League of Illinois, take this occasion to congratulate Prof. Greener upon his appointment and also to express our thanks to President McKinley for the appointment of this grand man and true race leader.

"Resolved, That we recognize in Mr. Greener a man of high character, a public-spirited citizen, a ripe scholar, a loyal and enthusiastic Republican and one who is identified and interested in all questions of interest to our race.

"Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the President."

He Wants Arch-Deacons.

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Exclusion from Service.

A resolution was passed Wednesday in the Senate of the United States calling upon the Attorney General for a report as to whether there have been recent violations of the Constitution in Louisiana by the exclusion from services on juries in the United States Court of duly qualified citizens on account of color. Mr. Chandler, of New Hampshire, is entitled to the credit for the passage of this resolution.—The Helena Progress.

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MORE "JIM CROWISM."

The Legislature of South Carolina has before it what is commonly known as a "Jim Crow" car law bill for consideration. The mere announcement of this proposed innovation in the State's laws is paramount to the adoption of some regulations, some special and pernicious legislation equal to the other infamous decree, the result of the last constitutional convention. Without much doubt this State will follow in the wake of Kentucky and other States where prejudices reach out from private life to become crystalized in public affairs.

It is the sherest nonsense to attempt to localize the influence of these attempts at race assassination. If South Carolina suffered alone she would deserve the sympathy of liberty-loving mankind. But she does not suffer alone. It is a blow struck at the respectability of the whole people. It moves horizontally, and all Negro manhood is mowed down to some extent in the eyes of the world the moment the blow is given. South Carolina should move briskly in her stages towards oblivion. The people are waiting to hear what hell-born scheme is in order next to make a people appear small in the eyes of the world. Disfranchisement and "jim crow cars" to boot are a pace that kills. All of this practiced on the most docile people that ever drew a breath, and there's the rub. If God had not made the Negro so submissive, so humble, so lowly, so like his Christ, who would have turned the other cheek when smited, and who would have forgiven his enemies seventy times seven times if necessary, the chances are that fear and more respect would have been accorded him, if not love. This "jim crowism" feature is entirely a new creation, but it must not take a firm hold on this soil. We are to view with alarm the encroachments of such iniquitous movements. Indeed, the race should be alarmed at the widening scope of the evil. It is alarming to note that as the days of slavery recede that the liberties of the people are being curtailed wholseale. What profiteth it if dollars and acreage are being piled up and added on, if on the other hand the governments are deliberately manacling the liberties of its supposed citizens. It does not argue a great deal for other advantages when those means by which nations are weighed are wanting. However, in this enlightned age it is safe to say that these practices are at their best. The enlightened policies of the occident will no longer sustain them. It is only a matter of time when these walls of prejudices will fall crumbling at the feet of civilization too great to ever become so small.

This late procedure on the part of South Carolina is but the last flicker and flare of the last hope of the great conspiracy. The twentieth century will usher in bright and luminous for the American Negro. He has seen his worst days. South Carolina can go no further and her dastardly perpetrations will recoil on her own head. She will yet be ashamed of the part she has played in the grand sisterhood of States in trying to bastardize her children. Cuba is strugling now for what South Carolina denies, she with the rest of the world drinks a bumper to the new republic. Infamous hypocrite! when her own vitals are honeycombed, gangrened, surcharged with malicious envy, commonly called prejudice against the blacks in her own borders, thus setting on the seal of condemnation wherever they may be found. But as was said before, this is the last card she has to play. All is staked on it, but she will loose in a thousand ways that her dense ignorance cannot and will not see. The Negroes will be at the funeral of South Carolina.

"DOCTRINES OF CHRIST."

Rev. J. M. Conner, S. T. D., of Helena, Ark., has published another very excellent little volume, "Doctrines of Christ," or "Teachings of Jesus" by title. From the introduction by Prof. W. S. Scarborough to the closing pages it presents itself in such a way as to be immediately engaging. In the numerous subjects dealt with, such as "Doctrines of Christ," "God," "Ethics," "Self Denial," "Love," "Faith," and others, he has given to the world the best that Christ has said on these subjects. He has selected out the pertinent remarks or sayings of Christ on all questions under the guise of some one of the general subjects given. The political phase of his life is shown when he would render unto Caesar those things that belonged to Caesar. His political wisdom is further demonstrated by his continued avowal that his was to be a spiritual kingdom, thus disarming all suspicion as to the head and front of his cause, which was so necessary in an age ripe for sedition and rebellion. Christ on "Love" is authority. "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." From this little volume come trooping in excellent classification all of those sayings of Christ that have been the law unto mankind ever since they were uttered. "Love thy neighbor as thyself." The world is desirous of approximating such a condition. It is the goal to which mankind is making an unceasing pilgrimage, yet which seemeth that so few ever attain. It is not only an ideal condition, but a high ideal. Will mankind come up to the pace set by the Christ? His mercy and forgiveness is no less worthy of admiration. He put the accuser of the woman to rout when he insisted that the guiltless one should cast the first stone—and he wrote in the sand. Ah, what was it he wrote? The theologian would give much to know. Finally it may be said that the volume is full of matter for inspiration, brought down to the very essence. It is bright and cheerful typographically and recommends itself on first sight.

It is not over doing the matter to say that the apointment of Greener, of New York, is received with more genuine warmth than any ever ground out of the presidential grist. Praises in many other cases have been stinted and strained, "damned with faint praises," but those accorded Prof. R. T. Greener are generous and impulsive. The Negro press is devoting whole columns to this man, who for some reasons occupies a peculiar niche of favor. But after all it is but an open secret; he deserved success and not oblivion because he enjoyed an enemy or so in his State. Doubtless if this administration will notice the hearty amens favor of Greener it will gain strength by experience. It will note that peace can be very often more substantially purchased by war than by any other means.

We are glad Mr. Greener has been appointed. It is refreshing in these days to see a colored man appointed on his merits and not because he is anybody's man Friday.

The above extract taken from the Odd Fellows' Journal, of Philadelphia, has more sense than sound. If the administration does not care for a mountain of discontent it will have to right about face and make appointments that are meritorious and not because of some adventitious methods in securing them. Right happily in a Republican government the people are king. Albeit often despoiled of their crown, there do come occasions when they rise in their majesty and assert their prerogatives.

The Freeman has at no time taken stock in the stories that were going the rounds of the press to the effect that Booker T. Washington advised against appointing Negroes to official positions. It hardly seemed worthy of Mr. Washington's denial, but occasionally there are tales told that must be silenced or they act the same as the truth.

Our distinguished metropolitan confrere, the Colored American, is bent on landing another member of the Old Guard. It speaks glowingly of the services of Hon. Jno. R. Lynch. However, in these days of limited opportunities and in view of past preferment, we could manage to get along. The actual rooters who occupy the bleachers, and who have never known the meaning of the grand stand, should be reckoned with at some juncture.

Hon. Gabriel Jones declares that he is better fitted to serve his people than ever. He desires to help represent the district in the coming legislature. It may be that Mr. Jones is right.

COL. CARSON IN JAIL.

Col. Perry Carson, of Washington, in jail at Washington, D. C., for contempt of court, was a bulletin that flashed over the country last week. Every one in and out of Washington knows the picturesque Carson. He is a politician of the first magnitude, who has succeeded in having himself sent to all of the recent National Republican conventions. He is a man of natural wit, but not profoundly learned. He has held positions according to his ability for years in that city.

It was Perry's great heart that got him in trouble that landed him in jail He insisted on interfering in behalf of an aged Negro, whose ash cart and old horse was about to be levied on by a constable. He was arrested and the justice who tried him fined him $5. This sum he refused to pay, preferring to "lay" it out as a matter of principal, "sah." Carson contended that a justice of the peace could not order him to jail for contempt of court. They say he is supported by good authority. But when the Colonel was last heard from he was in all right. There are likely to be troublesome times ahead for that justice of the peace, and his constable. Carson is a political Zeus, and at his Jovian nod something must give away.

Lynk's Magazine, a monthly periodical published in Jackson, Tenn., should grow in favor. It is devoted to the interest of the race, as the very excellent table of contents for January shows. We note through this ambitious journal that the Negroes at the Tennessee Centennial Exhibition received three gold, five silver and nineteen bronze medals. They also received twenty-five certificates of merit or honorable mention. Considerable space of this magazine is given to the Negro as he appeared in that centennial exposition.

The productions from the best Negro brains are being published weekly in The Freeman. Those who may take the trouble to ascertain will soon be convinced that the most scholarly articles written by Negroes appear in this paper. These scholarly contributors would be at the topmost rung of literary fame and achievements were it not for the relentless caste rules that abound everywhere. We feel safe in saying that the English is not employed better or to better advantage than by these same Freeman contributors.

Rev. Alberry Allson Whitman, D. S., who by some has been dubbed the poet-laureate of the Negro race, has a very excellent poem on the late Bishop Allen, of the A. M. E. church in the Southern Christian Recorder. The following are a few of the lines that bespeak his make-up as a man:

"And spurned the 'mess of pottage'—disgrace
Which caste had offered his unhappy race;
And taught them that submission was a crime,
Which meant their degradation through all time."

A goodly number of Bishops Allen would not hurt at these times of piping peace, made so by the shining sheckels, the almighty panacea.

Some of our contemporaries are advising a demonstration on the part of the Negroes against the whites in Lonoke county, Arkansas. The situation is extremely ugly, yet such advice should be given with caution. Not because these intrusions should not be resented, but it might be charged up to the whole race if these people acted on the advice given. These people ought to know by instinct what to do. There should be no long-drawn debates, but some "mighty" quick thinking and quicker acting.

Dr. H. W. Furniss, Consul to Bahia, S. A., left this week for his destination. He will stop in Washington for further instructions and then he will hie thither, to the home of the Dom Pedros.

The legislative ticket is being very cautiously discussed at this time. The colored people are talking to themselves only on the subject. The subject is positively frightful. Gentlemen, whom will you have? You are the judges.

The South is beginning to push its millions in Southern claims against the government. The other day a few hundred thousand was voted to a church that claims to have suffered to that extent by the rude hands of war.

Hawaii with its miscellaneous inhabitants is at the golden gate. It desires entrance with its unsolvable kit of denizens. Dole, however the major part of the island or islands, perhaps, is pushing the battle right up to the throne.

Booker T. Washington, with others, will deliver an address at the Madison Square Garden, New York City, on the anniversary of Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 12. Ex-President Grover Cleveland is to preside.

Mr. Fortune, of New York, renews to Mr. Greener, of the same State, his most distinguished consideration. What in the world does he mean?

What will the Negroes yell about, federally speaking, during the next campaign. Right honestly, now, what have they to say?

The Columbus Vindicator is for Bushnell notwithstandnig. It claims he is for the Negro, and that covers a multitude of sin.

RACE GLEANINGS.

Livingston College will have a brass band consisting of ten or twelve pieces.

Jas. H. Johnson, of Kingston, Jamaica, is touring the country. He will journey 20,000 miles.

Miss Nancy Jones, who has been in Africa as a missionary for ten years, has returned to this country.

John Ellis Clark, colored, once town crier of Chicago, died recently in that city at the age of 108.

Founder's day, the birthday of Gereral Armstrong, was celebrated at the Hamton Institute, on Sunday, January

Thomas Bomar, a colored man, of South Carolina, has built more cotton mills than any contractor in the South. 30.

There are no other cities, except Chicago and Philadelphia, wherein as many Negroes are employed by the city as St. Louis, Mo.

The Negro Building and Loan Association at Augusta, Ga., has proven a success. Its stockholders have been paid handsomely.

The first cotton mill owned and controlled by Negroes was opened Feb. 8, at Concord, N. C. The enterprise represents a cash investment of $60,000.

Rev. Mrs. Mary J. Small, of York, Pa., is the first woman to be elected fraternal delegate from one annual conference to another. She represents the Philadelphia and Baltimore conferences in the North and West Alabama and Mississippi conferences.

Interesting Notes.

Keokuk, Ia., Special.—Mrs. Ramsey, of Kahoka, Mo., is assisting Rev. G. M. Tillman in his revival services. * * Miss Katie Hill, who has a position at the Tri-State can factory, cut her fingers on Thursday of last week. * * During last week George C. Bannister quietly stole away to Kahoka, Mo., and the cause of his visit was a charming lady who teaches in that city. Mr. Bannister reports a very pleasant stay and that the lady will visit Keokuk as soon as her school closes. * * Tuesday night Martin Bland died at his home, 1319 High street. The cause of his death was heart trouble. Mr. Bland was one of Keokuk's best known and respected citizens. He was aged 62 years and leaves a wife, one daughter, Miss Lucy, of Keokuk, a brother and a sister, Mrs, David Wilson, both of Shawneetown, Ill. The funeral services were conducted from the church of St. Mary the Virgin, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, by Rev. Middleton, the rector. Union Lodge, No. 1, of Masons, had charge of the services. * * Rev. Middleton, of Cairo, Ill., who has been called to the pastorate of the church of St. Mary the Virgin, arrived in the city last Tuesday and is stopping at the home of Mr. Orange Fields, on Fulton street. * * A rare treat in music awaits those who attend Miss Draine's piano recital on the 21st inst. * * Rev. J. W. Muse, pastor of the Seventh Street Baptist church, is being assisted by J. Taswell, of Hamilton, Mo., in a reveival meeting this week. * * The Pilgrim's Rest Baptist church has called to its pastorate Rev. W. E. Helm, of Mexico, Mo. Rev. Helm is a young man and comes highly recommended. * * Miss Mary Wilkerson is ill at her home, 420 Tenth street.

The Latest News.

Chambersburg, Pa., Special.—Rev. Thomas Burl and wife spent Sunday in Greencastle. * * Isaac Johson, of Hotel McKinley, spent Sunday at his home in Newville. * * C. W. Williams has returned to Reading. * * Mrs. James Smith has returned home after a delightful visit to Greencastle. * * Mrs. Sarah Taylor has returned home after a delightful visit to her cousins, H. Anderson and Mrs. Scott. * * Charles Wilson and daughter spent Sunday with his parents at Bunker Hill, W. Va. * * Miss Kodelia James has been called to her home on account of the illness of her mother. * * Mrs. Mary Gibson and son are visiting Mrs. Jennie Merricks. * * Dovie E., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holly died on the 4th. She was fourteen years of age. * * Mrs. Seth D. Smith has returned home after a six months visit to her parents. * * Miss Gertie Cain spent Sunday at Greencastle. * * Rev. Fisher filled the pulpit at the A. M. E. Church on the 6th. * * Revivals have been in progress at the Zion A. M. E. church. They are conducted by the pastor, * * Miss Julia Cook has returned home to New York.

Successful Revival.

Logansport, Ind., Special.—The revival at the A. M. E. church under Rev. G. R. Boland is going on with increased interest. * * Mr. Clay, of Cincinnati, spent Sunday in the clay. * * Mr. Douglass, of Indianapolis, spent Sunday in the city, and Mrs. Williams of the same city spent Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. G. R. Collins. * * Louis Johnson is very sick at this writing. * * Little Della Jones is some better. * * George Parker was at Peru last week. * * Mr. Glover is in the city. * * David Cannon was in the city last Sunday. * * George Stone has gone to Peru to accept a position. * * Messrs. Edward Bissel and Ed Russell have moved their shop into the New Murdoch. * * C. J. Lewis is very sick. * * Mrs. Chas. Parker is convalescing. * * Miss Maude Winslow is in the office of Drs. Thomas and Hill. * * A number of the young people met at the home of Miss Mary Allen last Wednesday and spent a very pleasant evening. * * John Brown has a position at the New Murdoch.

Among the Spires.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.—A union revival meeting has been going on at the Congregational Church for two weeks. The oldest citizens say that nothing has ever equaled it. The preaching is done by Rev. A. W. Thorne, of the A. M. E. Church, and Rev. R. J. Buckner, of the M. E. Church. * * Rev. J. A. Jones, of Warren Chapel A. M. E. Church, conducts the song service. One hundred converts are reported at the end of two weeks. The churches engaged in the services are the A. M. E.'s, Zion Methodists, Congregationalists and Presbyterians. The city is aroused as never before. All the churches are being benefited. * * Revival services have been going on at the First Baptist Church for three weeks. Many converts are reported. * * Montgomery avenue colored school is suspended for two weeks, on account of the smallpox scare. Some excitement prevails. * * A swell banquet has been indefinitely postponed as the result of the great revival, in which the leading "ballroom" ladies have been changed from darkness to light. * * Allen Day celebration has been postponed one week, on acount of the revival meeting. * * Miss Daisy Lownds contemplates going to Africa as a missionary in the near future. * * Hinton Alexander, of the Original Jubilee Singers, is rendering valuable service in the song service at the union meeting. Many of the city teachers are also active workers. * * Warren Chapel A. M.E. Church was crowded all day last Sunday. Twenty-three persons joined the church. * * All the churches came together again Sunday at 3 p. m. at the Congregational Church. It was a great meeting. Mrs. Carson and Miss Carson charmed the audience by singing sweetly, "Handwriting on the Wall." * * The all-absorbing topic now is the great revival. * * Rev. A. W. Thorne preached at Warren Chapel Sunday night.

Personal Mention.

Decatur, Mich., Special.—Mrs. Cora Winburn returned home last week after an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Grace Brown, of Benton Harbor. * * Mr. and Mrs. Elsey West, of Bangor, are the guests of the latter's mother. * * Those on the sick list are: Mrs. Eva Hamilton, Mrs. Sarah Bradley and Miss Eva Bradley. * * Theodore Lowry made a flying trip to Dowagic Saturday. * * Miss Gertrude Bradley has returned from Cass, accompanied by Miss Lulu Winburn. They visited their Uncle Mr. Robert J. Bradley, of Osthemo, who has been very ill. * * Jonah Cotton, of Chicago, and Miss Emma Hamilton, of Bangor, were the guests of the latter's sister, Mrs. F. Bass. * * George Bradley, of Kokomo, Ind., was the guest at the home of E. M. Winburn the first of the week.

Glasgow Dots.

Glasgow, Ky., Special.—Rev. J. E. Wood, of Elizabethtown, Ky., is visiting relatives and friends here. * * Mr. C. S. Manier was at Edmonton on business last week. * * A revival meeting has begun at C. M. E. church, Rev. B. C. Tolbert, pastor. * * Rev. John Thomas, of Anchorage, has been visiting friends here. * * We as Afro-Americans should patronize colored papers, and we should take The Freeman, the best colored paper, 5 cents a copy, $1.50 a year. V. W. Dunn, agent.

A SLAVE IN THE LAND.

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the other side of the sea; he knows nothing of their political institutions; the fountain from which his patriotism has been fed has been in America; no other flag ever waved above him but the stars and stripes; the only national hymn he has known is America. He has no strange gods, but worships the God of the Pilgrim Fathers; he is not an alien or intruder here. The liberty and the freedom which he now enjoys he purchased with two hundred and fifty years of long, unrequited toil and unwavering devotion to the nation both in peril and in peace. Though still hobbled, handcuffed and fettered by American prejudice, he is not considered a menace either to liberty, Christianity or civilization.

When the nation is threatened with foes from without there is no fear that the Negro will sympathize with any foreign foe; with the men who endeavor to introduce ideas unfriendly to our institutions he has no sympathy, and when the nation is assailed by foes from within there is no apprehension or alarm as to the stand the Negro will take in defense of his country and its liberty. While of all other freemen, he has been the most fettered here, of all men the most degraded and despised, yet of all Americans he is the most American.

REVERDY C. RANSOM.
Bethel A. M. E. Church, Chicago, Ill.

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HAMPTON & JOHNSON,

great musical team are meeting with tremendous applause this season with John W. Vogel's Darkest America. Too much cannot be said of this famous team when music and merriment is a consideration. They are one of the main features of the said organization and never fail to captivate an audience in their latest creation, "The Sport and the Crank." During their engagement in Columbus, O., last week they were invited to a banquet given by the Olentangy Club, of that city, where they were requested to respond to a number on the program, which they kindly accepted, but after they had rendered their first number the program generally was dispensed with and the famous team was made the center of attraction by their peculiar presentations of natural versatility.

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Isham's Octoroons are in Philadelphia, Pa., this week.

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Black Patti Troubadours are playing to fine business in San Francisco, Cal., this week.

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Will Walker has closed with the Al. G. Field Negro Minstrels to join Ed. F. Davis' "Uncle Tom Cabin" company.

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Mr. Edward H. Winn has closed with the Darkest America company and is resting comfortably at his home in Pittsburg.

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The Columbus (Miss.) Union Band is getting along nicely with Prof. Shoemaker as bandmaster and M. C. Johnston as manager.

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Miss Lillie Woods, the gay soubrette from Chicago, is again with Jno. W. Vogel's Darkest America, having joined them at Columbus, O.

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Wm. Hedgepath, Sam Burns, P. A. Woods, Robert Leach, W. O. Terry and Jos. Pavisee are still prominent musicians with the old reliable Georgians.

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Jennie Hillman, who has been across the "pond" with Isham's "Oriental America" company, has returned home. She is now with the "Octoroons."

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The Cheatham Bros.—Larry and Will—closed with Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels at Bowie, Tex., and left for Birmingham, Ala., to put on their original Pickaninny Minstrels.

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George Titchner, the "Cake Walk Swell," is still making big hits in the South, with Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels. He has been justly dubbed by the Southern press as the "Black Geo. Primrose."

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S. N. Edmonds, of Jno. W. Vogel's "Darkest America," sends kindest regards to Prof. Frank Hailstock, of Al. G. Field's Colored Minstrels, but continues to sing in his peculiar oddity, "I Vander Kin Dey Answer Vill I Wrote."

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Mr. Guy Hughes, of the Al. G. Field Colored Minstrels, made a flying trip to his home at Columbus, O., during their lay-over in Indiana last Sunday, where he was married to Miss Nellie Gilmore. He returned to his company Monday morning.

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The McCarver Bros., the acrobats, singing and dancing comedians, this season making big hits with the Al. G. Field Colored Minstrels, have been booked for a week's engagement at Fair Bank, Indianapolis's favorite summer resort, the coming season.

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R. N. Thompson's concert band, now with the Al. G. Field Colored Minstrels, will be enlarged by the addition of Joe Dobbins, solo cornetist, of Chicago. Prof. Thompson as a band leader is proficient and patient. He has many flattering offers for the coming season.

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Mr. Frank M. Hailstock's two-step, "My Lancaster Belle," with verse by Ruby Shelton, is a howling success, and fast becoming popular. Orders are coming in from the leading music dealers throughout the country. Orchestra and band copies will soon be out. On sale at The Freeman counting rooms. You can secure the piano copies now. Price, 25 cents.

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Billy McClain and Mme. Cordelia continue to score those lamp-blinding hits throughout their nightly performances, and were the source of much handsounding during their engagement at Columbus, O. The genial "Bill" has been casting a very peculiar optical demonstration on der knock-kneeded play called "Faust," and some new things may be looked for on the Afro-American stage next season.

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J. Ed Green, manager of the Diamond Quartette, with Richards & Pringle's Georgians, the author of "His Last Letter," and "The Girl That I Would Wed," has just completed a new coon song that promises to be a big hit, entitled "I'll Not Be Back Until I Find That Gal." It will be featured by Dick Thomas, the versatile comedian with that organization, also the Cheatham Bros., song-and-dance artists, of Birmingham, Ala., Messrs. Howley & Haviland, of New York, will publish the same.

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During the engagement of Jno. W. Vogel's Darkest America, at Columbus, O., invitations by the warden were issued to the entire company to be present at chapel services on Sunday, which was accepted. Several numbers were rendered by members of the company. A trombone solo by Mr. Geo. Bailey was the main feature, to which the prisoners took a decided fancy. Mr. Clarence P. Jones served as a general accompaniest. A ballad was rendered by Mr. Lawrence E. Chenault, which also met with much favor. Messrs. Bailey, McClain and Jones were each presented with a very fine cane by a friend and the company has a standing invitation whenever they are in the city.

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Notes from Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels: The Cheatham Bros. have closed. J. Ed Green's illustrated repertoir includes "Asleep at the Switch," "Take Back Your Gold," and "Just for the Sake of My Daughter." They are going big. He is the first and only colored vocalist producing stereopticon views in the South. Bennie Jones and Joe Williams, late of Williams & Avery, joined us at Ardmore, I. T.; they are red-hot members. Wm. Dixon, of the Diamond Quartette, will introduce that popular song by Gussie Davis, "Just Set a Light." Billy Kersands, the peer of comedians, takes numerous rounds of applause, singing, "It Ain't No Lie," assisted by his pet chicken, "Dixie." Manager Rusco has presented each member a swell persian coat, to be worn when on duty.

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Edward Mallory, our special correspondent with Isham's Octoroons, sends the following: Fred J. Piper, after quite a spell of illness, has regained his health and is with us again, singing as well as ever. Eugene Hillman, of Hilman & Perrin, after having his foot amputated, is improving rapidly. The members of the Octoroons company donated him $34 towards getting him an artificial foot. His circumstances are not as has been reported, and he is getting along remarkably well, not having been in need of anything. His wife, Jennie Hillman, nee Robinson, has returned from Europe from the "Oriental America" company, and has rejoined the Octoroons company. Eva Swanson has also joined us. The company is still doing good business.

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Notes from Al. G. Field's Colored Minstrels: The show is playing to good business throughout Indiana, with very bad weather. We had to leave our car for a few days while in Northern Illinois, on account of a severe snow and wind storm, which was very trying to the boys. While in Joliet, Ill., our manager, Mr. Junker, secured the best hotel, namely the Monroe Hotel, and there the boys had a touch of high life—"Tom Moore" cigars, sleigh rides, and the best of all—a bill of fare long to be remembered. Because if you want to reach a minstrel boy's heart, just sit him down to a swell meal, right after a long parade, especially in this show, for we have some fast workers in the company, the king of them being G. H. Fred Simpson joined his family Sunday at Indianapolis, and had quite a time with the boys at home, owing to their inability to recognize him, but after they were made to remember him there was quite a handshaking. We should feel proud of our Fred, as a better trombone soloist never pulled a slide. Our "Arnie" Stevenson is now working on the end, and making quite a hit singing Hillman & Perrin's song, "Arabella Jones." R. Byron Shelton, another Indianapolis product, who has made quite a reputation in the profession, will retire from the road and open a novel business this summer, having obtained his idea in Hot Springs, Ark. "Jake" and "Ruby" were home Sunday; when they got off the train they sang "Home, Sweet Home." Prof. Frank M. Hailstock, our orchestra leader, made a flying trip from Dunkirk, Ind., to Lancaster, O., to pay a visit to Miss Georgia Delooche, to whom his march, "My Lancaster Belle," is dedicated. U. S. G. Patterson is singing nightly, by request, "On the Banks of the Wabash." He has also finished his march and two-step, which is meeting with grand success.

John H. Grant, our K. of the H. J., now has more name; it now stands Hon. J. H. Grant, K. of H. J. and F. O. P.

MY SILENT PARTNER.

BY R. BYRON SHELTON.

I arrived at Columbus, O., for one week's rehearsal with Al G. Field's Colored Minstrels. After going through the routine of work at the first day's rehearsal (best known to the profession) I began to look for a lodging place for the week.

So, in company with Harry Fiddler, or "Jack," as some of the boys call him, we came to a place called the Dean Hotel, and, to my surprise, a great many of the boys were already there. Here it was I met my "silent partner." In passing up the hall to the room assigned me my attention was attracted by a slight noise, which came from a room to the right, and there, sitting on a trunk, sat the subject of my story—my silent partner, whose name, I afterwards learned, was Mack. I thought at first he was ill, but when he looked up and discovered me there appeared upon his face a broad grin, but not a word was uttered.

"I thought perhaps you were ill was my reason for looking in," said I. Not a word did Mack say.

Thinking he was offended, I walked out of his room with a vision of that grin upon my mind.

During my week's stay at the Dean Hotel and in passing up the hall to my room I would often look in Mack's room and inquire of his health. But he would simply raise his head and give me that same old smile, and utter not a word.

I always called him my silent partner (without his consent, of course), for he never spoke to me or any one else, to my knowledge, and I am doubtful whether he knew my name. At least he never called it.

Well, after our week's rehearsal was over I went to bid Mack good-bye. Behold he was gone—trunk, grin and all—and left no trace of his whereabouts. Very mean of him, I thought.

We left for Troy, O., the following day, and what my surprise on arriving at the opera house to see Mack, my silent partner, sitting on the same trunk, with the same grin on his face, as much as to say, "Well, old man, we meet again." But he didn't say it.

I learned that day that he had signed with the show—what to do I did not know, for every time I would see him he would be sitting on that same old trunk, with that same old smile on his face.

Later on I learned, also, that he was willing to be useful in the show if the boys would take an interest in him, and still this was only "Gigwauk" news.

Time moved along smoothly with Mack until one day in November, when he contracted a heavy cold, and it was then I missed that same old smile, for he became despondent and gave up all hopes of recovery.

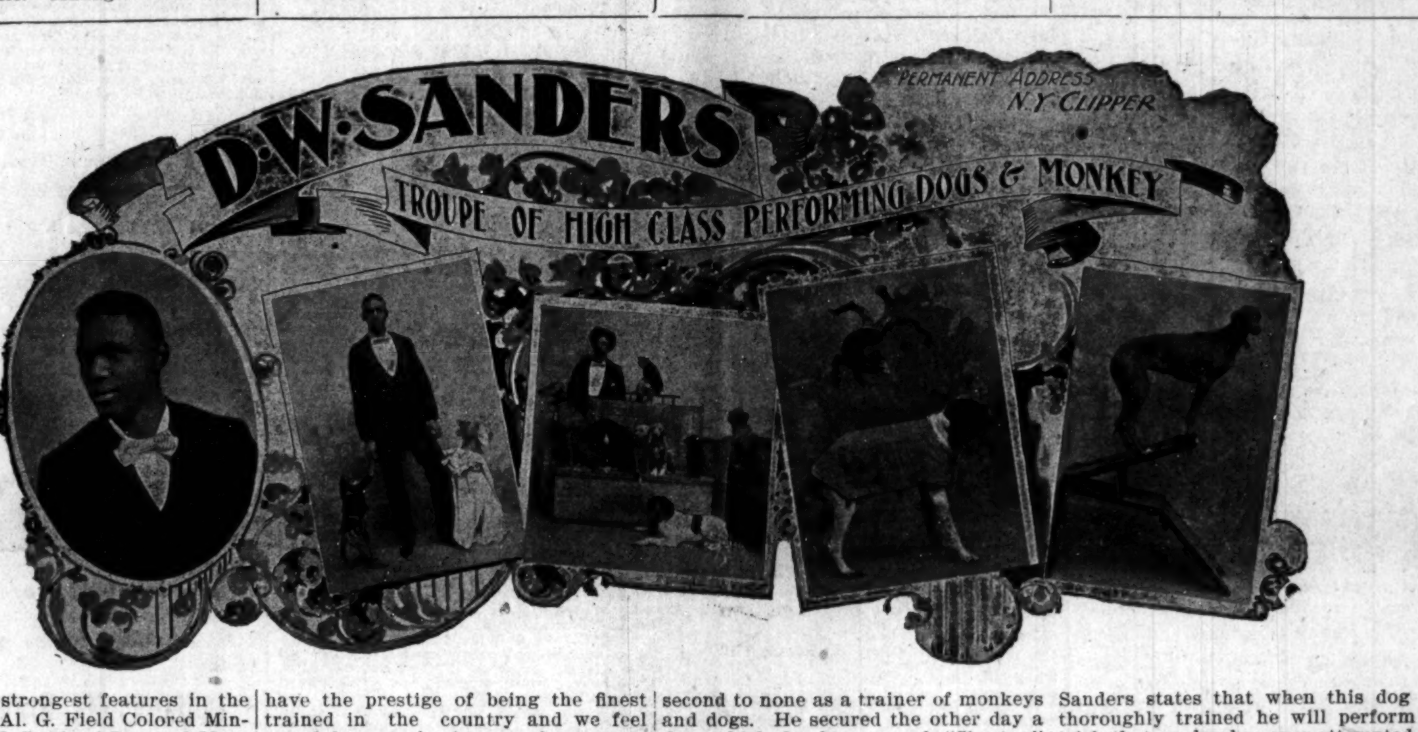
He would sit in his dressing room on that same trunk as in deep thought, and I used to often wonder if he was thinking of home and mother. Well, boys, to cut a long story short, died on Jan. 12, 1898, between the hours of 6 and 7 p. m.

It was on the car after supper one of the boys cried, "Mack is dying."

Although we knew he could not get well, we did not expect the end so soon. At the last moment he looked as if he wanted to say something, but his chances for speaking—that is, if he ever did speak—were all gone. The best he did in the way of bidding us good-bye was to raise his right paw. Oh, I have let the secret out by saying paw!

Now, I will tell you, boys. Mack, my silent partner, was a huge monkey of a baboon species, with the D. W. Sanders dog and monkey circus, now with the Al G. Field's Minstrels.

He cannot come back,
So farewell to poor Mack!



One of the strongest features in the olio with the Al. G. Field Colored Minstrels, is D. W. Sanders' Dog and Monkey Circus. His dogs and monkeys have the prestige of being the finest trained in the country and we feel proud because he is one of our race, and his patient and untiring zeal stand second to none as a trainer of monkeys and dogs. He secured the other day a dog which he has named "Skeeter," and he is as ugly as his name. Mr. Sanders states that when this dog is thoroughly trained he will perform a trick that no dog has ever attempted.

HAMPTON & JOHNSON,
Musical Artists, with John W. Vogel's "Darkest America" Company.

A Weeks' Happenings.

Knoxville, Tenn., Special.—A literary and musical entertainment was given by the advanced class in elocution, Feb. 1, at Knoxville College, under the management of Dr. R. J. Love. The following was the pragram: Invocation, Dr. McCulloh; Venetian waltz, Anna B. Davis; The Maiden Martyr, Ellen M. Lacy; Burning of the Lexington, Anna Manson; Bid Me Good-bye, Ella M. Lacy; The Last Hymn, Anna B. Davis; Josiah Allen's Wife at A. T. Stewart's Store, Ebelena Thompson; Supposing, Anna B. Davis; Paracius and the Captive, Dr. R. J. Love; duet Good-bye ye Flowers, A. B. Davis and E. M. Lacy. * * Alderman Josiah M. Trigg, from the Fifth Ward, presented an ordinance to the city council asking that a hook and ladder truck be placed in East Knoxville. The ordinance passed without opposition and was referred to the fire and police committee. * * George Washington has gone to Louisville. * * Nathan Blackwell, who has been quite ill with consumption, died Feb. 3. * * Richard Marble is improving slowly. * * Mrs. James Barnett is quite ill. * * Mrs. J. B. Manson, who has been ill for several months is improving. * * J. Wesley Manning has organized a sewing circle among the mambers of the A. M. E. church. * * Mrs. Emma Russell, who has been quite ill for several months, is convalescing. * * Mrs. Harriet Piersol is much better. * * Charles McCorkle is ill with the small pox. * * Katie Ward was arrested, charged with stealing a cloak and a number of articles from a Mrs. Ward, who resides on Patton street. She returned the stolen goods to Mrs. Wood, who refused to prosecute, and the case was compromised by the defendant paying the costs. * * The Y. M. C. A. meets in Fairview school building every Sunday at 4 p. m. All cordially invited to be present. * *Mrs. G. M. Bradley is convalescing. * *Mrs. Ella Hamilton will take Mrs. G. B. Bradley's place as teacher of the Sunshine Band, which meets in the Cosmopolitan Hall every Saturday at 2 p. m. * *James Parks, of University ave., is quite ill. * * Mrs. J. L. Smith, of Eastport, is improving slowly. * * Rev. William Washington, pastor of little Zion Church, preached his farewell sermons Feb. 6; subject at 11 a. m., "The Dawn of the Millenium:" 7:30 p. m., "The Almighty Dealing with his People." A large crowd was in attendance. * * Dr. S. W. Crosthwait has a very interesting night school in the Cosmopolitan building. * * Rev. J. C. Richardson, of Patterson street, is still on the sick list. * * John Grant is improving slowly. * * John Gilmore is on the sick list. * * Mrs. F. C. Smith, of East Knoxville, is on the sick list. * * Call at Mrs. N. S. Smith's Parlor Cafe, or ring up 596, and H. A. Russell will bring The Freeman to you. * * An entertainment was given at the Logan Temple A. M. Zion Church for the benefit of the pastor, Rev. F. R. White. * * It is hoped that W. S. Lillison will get a position on the police force. He has the experience, is worthy and reliable. * * The many friends of Mr. M. J. R. Gentle will be pained to know that he is not improving. * *Miss Anna Floyd left Saturday, Feb. 5, to take charge of her school at Johnson City. * * Miss Mary Commons has gone to Rogersville Junction to live. * * Mrs. H. M. Mitchell left for Indianapolis, Feb. 3, to join her husband. * * A reception was tendered Miss Mary Commons at the residence of Mrs. Joe Reynolds. Those present were Misses Mary and Mattie Commons, Mary Jones, Mary Hoard, Delia Williams, Loretta Savage, Eve Thompson, Messrs. James Dickson, Albert Murphy, R. L. Williams, E. H. Wallace, W. H. Hastie, Wm. Turner, O. C. Wallace and H. Branner. * * Mrs. Robert George, assisted by Mrs. William Hunter, tendered Mrs. H. M. Mitchelll a reception last Wednesday, Feb. 2, prior to her departure for Indianapolis. Those present were Miss Mary Jones, Alice Scott, Anna Prosser, Mrs. H. M. Mitchell, Messrs. James and Wm. Prosser, T. C. Dodson, Frank Kitzmiller, Wm. Turner, A. R. Goree, L. Boyd and A. H. Russell. Whist was the chief source of amusement. * * The Excelsior Household of Ruth, No. 460, meets the first and third Sunday nights in each month at the G. U. of O. F. Hall, on Mabry street. The following are the names of the officers: Samuel Baxter, W. N. G.; Rosa A. Davis, R. N. G.; Emma Baxter, W. T.; Hattie Davis, N. G.; Mary E. Hoard, W. R.; Maggie C.; Laura Campbell, W. S.; Mollie Newman, L. S. to M. N. G.; Laura Moffet, R. S. to M. N. G.; Lula Mitchell, L. S. to R. N. G.; Minnie Atkins, R. S. to R. N. G.; Houston Hamilton, W. C.; Thompson, W. U.; Amanda Hoard, W. Amelia Moyles, W. P.

The Young Men's Club.

Chicago, Ill., Special.—Dr. Townsend is here on business. While here he preached for Rev. Booth. * * The young men are to have a business club in the near future, with politics as a side issue. * * Rev. Booth, of Quinn Chapel, and Rev. Ranson, of Bethel, are having a great deal of success in their revivals. * * Rev. J. S. Woods, of Springfield, Ill., who is soliciting money to build the Lincoln Memorial church, is assisting Rev. Booth and Rev. Tyree, of Bowling Green. * * The Young Men's Sunday Club, of Bethel, began last Sunday to adopt a constitution and bylaws. * * Five converts were baptized Sunday morning at Providence Baptist church. * * There was a sacred concert at the A. M. E. church Sunday evening. * * There will be a Lincoln celebration Saturday evening, Feb. 12, at St. Stephens A. M. E. church. Admission free. * * There will be a mask social given by the Colonial Club Monday evening, Feb. 14. Admission, 5 cents. * * Mrs. O. Taylor, of Xenia, O., died while on a visit to Mr. P. Steele, of this city. The remains were shipped to Xenia, O., for burial.

Will Heal by Faith.

Memphis, Tenn., Special.—Mrs. Broughton, teacher at the Home Institute has resigned her position and opened a home mission at 303 Desoto street. She claims to be able to heal the sick by faith. * * The Monarch Social Club gave their annual banquet Friday night, the 4th inst. * * P. F. Hill, G. M., of the U. B. F., and S. M. T., will be in the city during the week. * * Senator Thomas B. Turley, newly elected to fill the unexpired term of Isham G. Harris, deceased, was highly entertained, Thursday evening at the Auditorium. * * Mardi Gras will be celebrated in this city Feb. 22. * * Wiley Price is recovering from an attack of pneumonia. * * C. Shelby is back from Meharry. * * George R. Jackson is the only colored pharmacist in Memphis. He has a nice drug store. * Dr. A. S. J. Burchitt has an excellent practice. * * Dr. J. C. Walker is known as an eminent physician. He is still on Beale street. * * Mrs. Flarado Doblins is quite sick. * * John Paston has recovered from a severe attack of pneumonia. * * Shilo Club, of Avery Chapel, has opened an eating house on Beale street.

News of Interest.

Eufaula, Ala., Special.—Frank Hill, of Florence, Ala., spent last Sunday in this city. * * Willie Reeves passed through the city last Sunday en route to Dawson, Ga. * * The Rally at the Baptist church last Sunday was a success. Services at all the churches on that day. * * The good people of this city are still subscribing for The Freeman. * * W. H. Wallace has a very handsome portrait of Fred. Douglass for sale. * * Messrs. Bell and Fields have opened a grocery store on Dale road. * * Eufaula needs a colored dentist. * * Rev. L. Steel has moved his family to this city. * * Services were well attended at St. John A. M. E. church last Sunday. Rev. G. B. West, the pastor, is doing a grand and noble work in htis city. * * Don't forget the rally on the fourth Sunday at St. John A. M. E. church. Several societies have already sent in their donation. * * A child of Mollie James was burned to death last week. * * Linn James is suffering with a severe cold. * * Hand your local news for The Freeman to the agent or leave the same at his residence on Washington street. * * The following names are subscribers to The Freeman: Mrs. L. J. Young, Prof. W. D. Jackson, Miss Lydia Lunard, Mrs. Mattie Roman. * * For a good shave and hair cut call on Mr. Straton Foster at Mose Thomas's barber shop, Randolph street. * * Mr. J. B. Thompson, of Clayton, Ala., spent last Sunday in this city. * * The A. M. E. church of this city will celebrate Bishop Allen's birthday Sunday, Feb. 13. * * J. H. Hamilton, our fish dealer, has moved to P. S. Williams' grocery store. * * Our young men should take more interest in the Sunday-school. * * Mrs. D. S. Johnson is on the sick list. * * Members who have formerly been connected with the Capital City Aid Association need not be uneasy. Mr. Lucas is here to stay. * * J. W. Fisher has returned from Louisville, Ala. * * If you want to know what the Negro race is doing read The Freeman. * * The Freeman can be had every week by calling on W. H. Wallace.

News From the Buckeye Capital.

Columbus, O., Special.—Prof. Booker T. Washington delivered a lecture on the 27th to a large audience. E. G. Brooks introduced Lieut. Governor Jones, who presided. Prof. Ransom sang a solo and Mayor Black extended a hearty welcome to Mr. Washington. * * The double funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, of Champion avenue, was held at the A. M. E. church. * * Mr. Jackson, an old soldier, was buried recently. * * J. A. Merrell, a porter at the American House for thirty-five years, was found dead in his room. * * Among the arrivals at the penitentiary last week were the three Quallo brothers, who were sentenced for twenty years for killing John Winslow (colored), of Alabama. * * Sanders Bates has filed a suit for divorce from Mary C. Bates. He charges unbecoming behavior and neglect. * * Frank Esley, who killed his wife and shot her paramour, was brought here Jan. 28, to be executed. * * C. C. Watson, a guard at the penitentiary, has been dismissed for borrowing money of prisoners. * * William T. Caldwell was sent to jail under the indictment for embesselment. The sum taken was one hundred and forty dollars, from the Union Trust & Bank Co. * * Forey Bros. have moved. * * Andy Slaughter has joined church. * * Green Farmer has opened a second hand furniture store. * * The baby of Mrs. Barnes is sick. * * Vincent Lewis was buried Sunday. * * Hotel Triplett arrivals: A. Edwards, Rudd.

Voters Attention.

Hartford, Conn., Special.—Colored voters of Hartford are requested to attend a meeting at Odd Fellows Hall, No. 26 Kinsley street, on Monday evening, Feb. 14, at 8:15 o'clock, to combine in the adoption of measures that may be deemed best to secure such rights and recognition as are, or should be, the inheritance of every American citizen. Every intelligent colored voter will see the importance of attending this meeting. By working together for the best good of all each one will be personally benefitted, and our families may hope for more Christian treatment from those who have had better opportunities for advancement.

Committee of Arrangements: G. Grant Williams, Chairman; Andrew E. Walker, secretary.

Ward Committees: First Ward: Fred H. Taylor, W. H. Taylor, C. D. Booker, Andrew Hall. Second Ward: Dennis Scott, Henry Smith, Fred Fuller, Albert Randolph. Third Ward: Booker Jones, Geo. C. Daniels, I. L. Cambridge, P. F. Williams, I. F. Evans, J. O. Taylor, Sidney Basey, Frederick Cross, C. Wesley Custus. Fourth Ward: Moses Braxton, W. H. Dixon. Fifth Ward: Jackson A. Lewis, James A. Washington, G. H. Green, Robert Brown, A. F. Francis, A. B. Mitchell. Sixth Ward: C. L. Percy, G. L. Bolden, James Jackson, James Taylor. Seventh Ward, Charles Parker, R. McCombs, W. Lane. Eighth Ward: G. W. E. Boyd, A. E. Walker, Virgil Wilson, G. G. Williams. Ninth Ward: Edward Swers, Frank Hamilton, R. E. Snyder, S. B. Harrison. Tenth Ward: Geo. T. Brooks, A. Batups.

Gathered Around Town.

Mt. Vernon, Ill., Special.—Richard Merriweather, of Dubois, made his sons, Will and Pete, a visit this week. * * Rev. C. C. Philips, the Baptist missionary of Golconda, spent the past week in our city transacting missionary and ministerial work for the Baptist congregation. * * Rev. R. R. Howard made a business trip to Belleville Monday. * * At the residence of Miss Mary Bell, on Newby avenue, from 7 till 10 Friday evening, the boys gave a very tasty and pleasing party. The amusements were of a high order, consisting of solos, speeches and games. The refreshments were served in the latest style. Those present were Misses Minnie and Clelen Bell, Helen Covington, Florence Renfro, Gertie Sebra, Rubie Sebra, Mattie Brefford, Sonober Owsley, Alabama and Mildred Turnley, Bessie Dixon, Messrs. George and Robert Robinson, Creatus Owsley, Walter Edminston, Jimmy Bell, Albert Carter, Louie Gillis, Carl and Earl Sebra.

A Painful Accident.

Troy, Tenn., Special.—Mrs. Jeannette Hill is still on the sick list. * * Patrick Bennett, a well known laborer, came near severing three fingers from his left hand. * * H. D. Hoard spent the greater part of last week in Trenton visiting. * * The department of worship of the Epworth League met last Sunday afternoon and spent an hour of profitable study on the book of Genesis. * * Rev. G. W. Murchison and family, of Memphis, will move in our city this week. * * The monthly meeting of the Obion County Teachers' Association will meet at Union City, Feb. 2. Prof. T. McMakin, chairman; W. G. Webster, secretary.

Will Hang on the 15th.

Columbus, Miss., Special.—Peter Horn and Jim Morehead will hang on Feb. 15. * * Miss Rosa Humphries has returned after a long stay in St. Paul, Minn.

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WANTED—Position in photographic studio. Can operate, print, tone, retouch and do carbon and relief work. Reference given. Address: Mary Flenoy, 183 W. Harrison street, Danville, Ill.

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METHODISM IN TENNESSEE.

THE PRESENT DEMAND—THINGS HAVE CRIPPLED THE WORK

In Tennessee—Men Who Are a Power of Good—"The Coveted Prize" in a Disputed Territory.

The present demand in Tennessee is for an honorable, trustworthy ministry. Tennessee has suffered more on account of unworthy minitsers within the last dozen years than from any other cause. While it is true that some most excellent men have been imported into Tennessee from time to time, yet it seems that this conference has been set apart as the dumping ground for the African Methodist scavenger force. Strange to say, but barring the third rate men, there has not been a ministerial wreck known among Tennessee men. True, many have had rough seas, blunders have been made, mistakes have been manifest at times, but not a single man of the first rank has ever as yet become a moral wreck or destroyed a church. Dealing with the question, it is unfair to be personal, but it only requires the turning on of the light to prove the above statement to be true.

When Bishop Wayman went to heaven, the last of the "old guard" was gone. It is evident at the present time which of the present bench wears the mantle of the "fathers."

"Godly judgment" prevailed among the fathers in the appointment of men to certain charges. Is such the case now? Does not favoritism prevail now? Bishop Turner is at the same time the strongest and the weakest bishop of the present day. He can do more to establish African Methodism where it is not, than any living man. No prelate of the connection has a wider influence than he. Bishop Turner is weak in that he will reward a friend regardless of all consequences. He is weak in that he loses his head in his admiration of talent. A moral leper, if intellectual, carries Bishop Turner by storm.

The cause of African Methodism, especially in East Tennessee, has been crippled on account of this weakness. Bishop Salter, the meek Moses, possibly takes the boldest stand against immorality than any of the bishops; but his weakness lies in the fact that he is too merciful. A man may destroy a good church, and then curse the bishop to his face to-day; then return to-morrow shedding crocodile tears, and Bishop Salter will immediately cover the vagabond with the mantle of forgiveness and give him another good church to wreck. Mercy is a commendable characteristic in a bishop, but mercy should not be extended at the expense of justice. Martyrs do not suffer for falsehood and crime, but for the truth and purity. So it is, that preachers are more liable to suffer for speaking the truth than for being moral hyenas. On the whole, the State is blessed at present with a most excellent class of men.

Such men as J. A. Davis and T. A. Thompson are always welcome in our midst. They are a power for good wherever they may be. If Dr. Davis dies in Tennessee it will be because he is nursed to death. Davis wants to live, but it sometimes happens that a child is killed by kindness. Dr. Davis is able to walk alone and would grow stronger if allowed more exercise. Some of the leading churches in Tennessee have made the mistake of rejecting any and every home man as pastor. I have in mind one church—a most important one—that is practically lost to the connection on account of this foolhardy tom-foolery.

Dr. J. N. Abbey is one of the strongest men that Tennessee has ever produced. His great battles have been fought in this State. Dr. Abbey would suffer death rather than tear up a church. That is the kind of stuff that Tennesseeans are made of. Many say that if Abbey had been allowed to man his own ship Avery Chapel, Memphis, would have never had the rupture that cursed that magnificent church in '97. He went there and brought peace out of confusion, built up the grandest membership known to the history of the church, remodeled the "old ark," and was sailing upon a calm sea. But the "green eyed" monster declared that such things should not continue. The result is "Abbey must go," and no Tennessee man could be found to take charge of that magnificent congregation. It is but fair to state, however, that the present pastor is said to be a strong man, and comes highly recommended. Avery Chapel is the coveted prize of West Tennessee, and it takes a strong man to hold it. Some say that St. Peters, Clarksville, is the most desirable charge in West Tennessee. It is said to be the most aristocratic congregation in that conference. No third-class man need ever go to the pastorate of St. Peters.

The hardest pastorate in the State is Shelbyville, and will continue so till the interests of the church and Turner College is divorced.

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(To be continued.)

Newsy Notes.

Bay St. Louis, Miss., Special.—Among the recent improvements there is none that has attracted the eyes of its spectators more than the one made to the Promote Hall, on Second and Apothecary streets. This hall and orgnization is especially worthy of mention as it is one of the best and most famous along the coast. The present building has been made two story by elevating it 11 feet higher. Convenience, as well as grandeur of appearance has been found in this project. The specifications of these improvements were under the management of L. O. Piernas, one of the Bay's contractors of great experience and ability. The work throughout is uniformly excellent, having all been constructed by the society's own members. The charter of incorporation of the Promote Benevolent Association have been sealed and signed in the State of Mississippi, county of Hancock, for a period of eighteen years. They have completed their 19th anniversary, being established on the 12th day of August, A. D. 1878, and has been since then successfully conducted. Their era has been one of benevolence, good will and charity. The present officers are: Eugene Ray president, Joseph Labat vice-president, E. L. Barabino recordingsecretary, Edgar Prudeaux financial secretary, L. J. Piernas corresponding secretary, Oscar Barabingo treasurer, Thomas Vonteur commissary. The Epworth League held their meeting on Friday night, Jan. 28th, at the St. Paul's M. E. church. The programme was highly appreciated by those who attended. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. L. W. Price. The singing and recitations were greatly applauded. The members of the choir deserve much credit. Rev. L. W. Price lectured on the value of education; he highly recommended the university in Tuskegee, Ala., under the management of Prof. Booker T. Washington.

News From Montana.

St. Assinniboine, Mont.—Special.—There have been many derogatory remarks hurled at Captain Anderson, lately apointed chaplain of the Tenth United States Cavalry from Ohio, in the columns of the Cleveland Gazette, and we fail to see what occasions this unusual outburst of enmity unless it is because President McKinley failed to consult Harry before he apointed Mr. Anderson or had tempted him with the "plum" first. Being a native of the "Old Buckeye State," we always are glad to note a victory won by one of her sons. We also note in the last issue of the Gazette an attack made upon our chaplain by a Western correspondent, to the effect that he was so surprised to learn that he was accorded such a warm reception upon his arrival at this place, and claiming that the escort that met the chaplain was larger than one that meets the Secretary of War. Now perhaps the correspondent is not acquianted with the manner that we receive an attache to the headquarters of a cavalry regiment. I would like to call his attention to the fact that this is an age of progress and that the animosity that existed in the army back in the eighties is rapidly disappearing, and is only recalled when some of the living monuments refer to it.

When a chaplain is appointed to the army at first his congregations are large, but as soon as they have weighed him they begin to drop off until forty or fifty is considered a large turn-out. Not so with Chaplain Anderson. Every available pew is filled long before the time for praise service, and his remarks always meet favorable comment.

Mrs. Anderson, a lady of rare accomplishments, presides at the organ and largely contributes to the success of her dignified husband. She assists him in the rendition of many effective and beautiful vocal selections. The instrumentation and choir are furnished by the Tenth Cavalry Orchestra. The chaplain organized a Christian Endeavor two weeks ago, with a membership of fifty-two—sometning we never knew to be attempted in our army career. The weekly lyceum, under his careful management, has expanded until the first allotted for it is found inadequate. In Chaplain Anderson we have all that is required to constitute a polished gentleman, thoroughly competent to combat with the many perplexing problems that may arise from time to time in the discharge of his office.

I am informed that General Henry, commander of our regiment, wrote President McKinley personally thanking him for his wise selection. This alone should set the dissatisfied at ease and listen for the "twenty-one guns" that will be fired occasionally from this stronghold while Chaplain Anderson is commanding our regimental spiritual battery.

We predict a bright future in the army for Chaplain and Mrs. Anderson as soon as they become accustomed to our mode of living.

"PSYCHE."

Gen. Robert E. Lee had one favorite war horse, Traveler, which he rode throughout the entire war, having purchased him in 1861, and he rode him on the day of the surrender at Appomattox. Sheridan, who saw Traveler that day, described him to Gen. Wilson as a "chunky gray horse," yet he is said to have been over 16 hands high, a little above half breed, of great courage and kindness, not possessing speed and carrying his head well up. For five years after the war, while Gen. Lee was president of Washington and Lee University at Lexington, Traveler was ridden almost daily by the illustrious soldier of confederacy.

MISER GENIUSES.

Men Who Have Reduced Money Saving to a Fascinating Art.

The fascinating study of financial gain amounts almost to genius in some. Avarice was the inspiration of one of our own great men, Franklin, whose memory is debased by his reputation as "Poor Richard." The masterpiece of Balzac is his novel "Eugenie Grandet." The hero, old Grandet, is a miser whose financial genius amounts to the sublime and which Balzac contrives and succeeds in making almost picturesque.

Among the most distinguished misers was Daniel Dancer. Upon the death of his father Dancer came into the estate, which yielded a good income. One of his sisters lived with him and imbibed the miserly teachings. Dancer was remarkable for the style of his garments. His coat was made of pieces of every hue and texture, collected from the streets and ash heaps. His garments were held together by a twist of hay. He and his sister lived happily in a hovel, the paneless sashes of which were darkened with boards, rags and papers. Soap and towels being expensive, Mr. Dancer occasionally washed in a pond and dried himself with sand. Three pounds of coarse beef and 14 dumplings formed their menu for years, except upon one occasion, when Providence changed the course of these viands.

Mr. Dancer, walking one day in search of bones and other delicate offal, found a dead sheep and carried it home in triumph. His sister received it as an immediate gift from heaven. Time went on, and the maiden fell ill. Lady Temple, a generous neighbor, was so kind that Miss Dancer determined to leave her £2,000, but she died before the will could be signed, and her brother claimed her fortune as the price of her board for 30 years.

He constantly guarded against thieves and concealed his gold and bank notes with the spiders among their cobwebs in the cowhouse and in the holes in the chimney, covering them with ashes. The light of generosity, however, penetrated one chink of his miserable soul—he loved his dog, and while denying himself bread he allowed his dog a pint of milk daily with other delicacies. Mr. Dancer's delight in life was to visit the holes where his wealth was kept and count it.

In his seventy-eighth year Dancer became violently ill, but refused to see a physician. Again Lady Temple played the good fairy at the wretched hovel, attending him to the last and was generously rewarded by his immense fortune, which he left to her.

It would not be a difficult task to show the influence of avarice upon nations; the evils of society, the corruptions of religion and the tragedies of war have often been instigated and supported by this base passion.—Detroit Free Press.

WEIGHTED SILK.

Sometimes Ninety Per Cent of the Material Is Foreign Substance.

At the present day the practice of weighting silks by means of astringent extracts, salts of tin, silicate and phosphate of soda and a variety of other substances, all more or less injurious to the wear of the fiber, has reached such a height that it is seriously affecting the trade. This is especially the case as regards black silk, but fabrics of other colors suffer in the same manner.

It used to be remarked that a silk dress or a silk handkerchief would last a lifetime, and this is almost true for absolutely pure silk. But in much of the fabric sold at the present day there is not more than 10 or 12 per cent of real silk, all the rest being extraneous matter applied to the fiber in the deceptive process of "weighting."

Pure silk, when burned, leaves a quantity of ash which is always considerably less than 1 per cent, but the ash left by some weighted silks has been found to amount to as much as 48 per cent of the weight of the fabric.

The extraneous substances to which we have alluded are caused to adhere to the fiber by passing the skeins through hot baths of tannin extracts, tin salts, salts of iron, antimony, potash, etc., and it has been found that when a silk much charged with such substances is heated it will not burn with flame, but will only smolder away, leaving a very large amount of ash behind.

But these weighted silks are, however, of so combustible a nature that some have been known to take fire spontaneously, a result due to the gradual decomposition of the substances used for weighting, and disastrous fires have been traced to this cause. Spontaneous combustion is liable to break out more especially in black silks that are stored in warm, dry places.—Chambers' Journal.

The Newest Buttons.

The newest buttons, says a New York fashion writer, are shown in three distinct sizes for the jacket, skirt and bodice. Many of the smaller buttons are veritable jewels in their artistic beauty of color and design, and many are set, like actual gems, in low mountings of cut steel and silver or pure gold. Jet, opal, plomb colored enamel and old bronze buttons set in riveted points, framing dainty miniatures, medallions, etc., are familiar styles, but many of the expensive jet and cord passementeries have buttons to match, which are not intended to have any strain upon them, but merely finish strap ends, mock buttonholes on skirt fronts, etc. When used upon the bodice, they are generally fastened on the outside or very often in the center of handsome jewel trimmings en applique, the bodice closing with strong hooks and eyes set upon a fly underneath.

Color Effects.

Mr. Murray Hill—It is odd what queer effects colors have upon persons.

Mr. Point Breeze—What effects are you thinking of?

Mr. Murray Hill—On a gray day I am always blue.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

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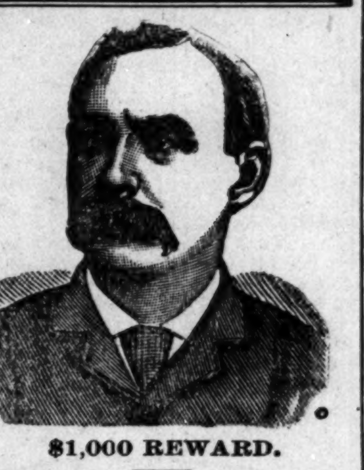

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Sincerely, Albert Ayers,

2937 Atlantic Ave.

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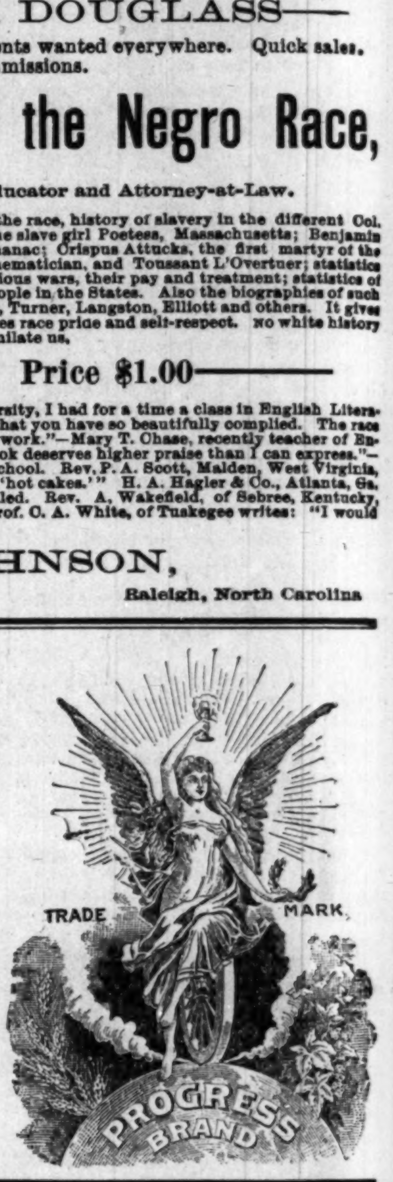

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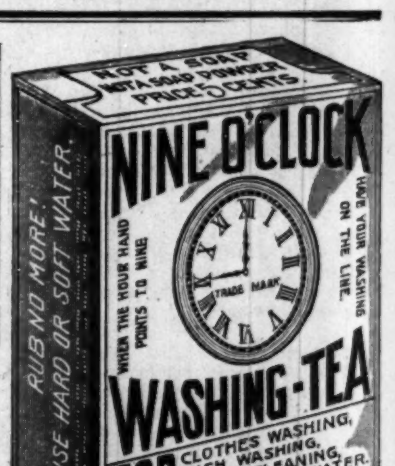

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"For my own part," said the doctor, with a shrug, "I would prefer not to be shot at all, whether in the heart, head, lungs, liver or brain, and yet I have taken note of many cases recently in which persons have sustained gunshot wounds of supposedly fatal character who are still alive and going about their business."

The doctor and his companion were passing a down town museum when the conversation took this turn. Among the freaks pictured and caricatured in front of the building was a man with a ragged bullet wound torn through his heart—which organ was vividly exposed in the flaring daub—while the angel of death was hovering over him, ready to snatch him away at any moment.

"Then," said the doctor's friend, "a shot or a stab in the heart is not necessarily fatal, as it is understood by modern surgery?"

"Not at all," returned the doctor. "But, of course, we are not speaking of wounds as big and terrible as the one in that museum picture. That is apparently even worse than the thrust received by Mercutio—looks about as deep as a well and as wide as a church door. No man who has been wounded like that ever survives more than a minute.

"That man in the museum is alleged to be Charles B. Nelson, who was mysteriously shot one evening while in the company of Mrs. Edith Marguerite Staples in Washington park. The shooting occurred on a night five months ago, and the man with an ounce of lead in his heart is still alive. Whether he sleeps well and has a good appetite I am unable to say. He was formerly a cyclist of some note. Nelson's breast was subjected to the X rays, and, according to sciographs which were made at the time, the bullet lodged in the septum of the heart—the fourfold partition of muscular fiber that divides the interior of that organ into right and left auricles and ventricles. There it has continued to throb up and down about 100,000 times a day ever since that mysterious shooting, and at every pulsation refuting the old theory of medical science that the touch of hostile metal to man's heart brings death.

"The most skillful and daring surgeon on earth, if he were asked to remove the bullet from Nelson's heart, would shake his head in the negative. So this man must carry his leaden handicap as long as life shall last. Seems strange, doesn't it?

"And yet, notwithstanding what I have said, we have surgeons nowadays who do undertake and carry to a successful conclusion operations on the heart. This is done by opening the pericardium, for example, in cases of dropsy of the heart, and drawing off the fluid by aspiration. A man may have his heart punctured with the point of a knife or a needle and still recover from the injury. It used to be held that wounds of this character were invariably fatal. But a wound of the heart is not necessarily fatal, as is shown in the case where a needle was removed by Callender from the substance of that organ. Cases of like nature have been reported by Drs. Hahn, Agnew, Stelzner and others. More than 50 cases where rupture of the heart walls did not result in immediate death are reported by Dr. D. J. Hamilton, a well known Scotch surgeon and pathologist.

"The case of Poole, a prizefighter, was one of the most remarkable. Poole was shot in the heart while engaged in an encounter with a man named Baker, in New Jersey, in 1855. To all outward appearance he recovered rapidly and in four days felt so well that he expressed a wish to finish the interrupted contest. Twelve days later, however, he suddenly dropped to the ground. Within five minutes he was dead.

"More remarkable still, perhaps, are the numerous injuries to the brain and spinal cord, which on first view would be pronounced fatal and yet from which the wounded persons recover. At Valparaiso, Ind., a man named Herbert J. Fish while in a fit of temporary insanity put a .38 caliber bullet through his brain, and at last accounts he was still alive and apparently getting well. The bullet, by all accounts, passed through the right and left anterior hemispheres of the brain, lodging finally in the posterior bone wall of the left eye socket. In its course the ball destroyed a large amount of brain matter. At the same time it cut the optic nerves of both eyes, destroying the sight. In some way the sense of smell, too, was destroyed.

"Many Chicagoans will remember a tragedy at the Briggs House in this city several years ago, in which a man who was shot in the brain got well. J. S. McDonnell, a well known veterinary surgeon, and his wife were boarders at the hotel. It was in August, 1887. One day there was a great uproar and excitement over a shooting affray in the apartments of the McDonnells. In the quarrel McDonnell was shot by his wife, the bullet entering the side of his head in the parietal bone above the ear and penetrating the brain. Within the next 48 hours the ball was removed by Dr. Liston H. Montgomery, and the wounded man got well. The wife at the same time shot herself in the head, but her injuries were not serious. Old time doctors used to pronounce wounds like that of McDonnell's fatal in every instance and made very little effort to save the patient. Brain injuries are most serious and most often prove fatal when they occur near the base of the brain.—Chicago Tribune.

No Fiction Either.

He—Who is your favorite writer?
She—My guardian. He signs all my checks, you know.—Detroit Free Press.

THE LAST.

Ah, not the first love dearest, but the last!
(So? Who can tell?)
The tides of youth, dear heart, run fast, run fast.
The buds upon the young tree shoot and swell
Reckless of frosts. Well! Well!
Why should we dwell on follies that are past?

For now, behold, the green and callow shoots
Of early spring
Are dry and withered to the very roots.
They were love's first faint perfumed offering
Taking swift wing,
Leaving a fragrant memory, but no fruits.

Let us not speak of them with smiling scorn
They have made way
For the rich bloom and fruitage later born,
And born of spirit rather than of clay,
Making our day
Glad with the freshness of perpetual morn.

Eternal? Dear, let us believe it so,
And in our bliss
Let dull analysis and doubting go.
Unquestioning, while in a rapturous kiss
Like this—my sweet—and this—
The fullness of celestial joy we know!
—Annie L. Muzzey in New York Sun.

TO BEGINNERS IN FICTION.

Good Advice For Those Who Attempt to Write Books.

Read up on United States history—you will get some useful information anyway—and see what you can do with that. Don't take your scene from France or Italy, where you have never been. Home is nearer and just as good. If you can light upon an idea which has not been done to death, or a situation unbackneyed or unfamiliar, make the most of it. New England has been so run upon that it affords material only to a few experts. The middle states and those between the Ohio and the Rockies, locally speaking, are a poor literary field, but the south and far west are not worked out yet. Avoid dialect; as a main reliance its day is done. Avoid "hifalutin," spread eagle and riproaring styles; they are of the yet remoter past. Find out what your bent is, if you have any, and what you have to say, if anything; if not, seek other pursuits. Remember that a poor story or essay is of less value than a peck of inferior apples, and that the author of a bad novel is entitled to no more respect than a shoemaker or a farmer who does not understand his business. The pioneers of our literature may have done what now seems poor work, but they knew no better then and had nothing better—they were pioneers, and as such entitled to a place in history—but nobody is going to write the history of the multifarious literary efforts of our time that come to nothing.

Whatever you do take pains with it. Try at least to write good English. Learn to criticise and correct your work. Put your best into every sentence. If you are too lazy and careless to do that, better go into trade or politics. It is easier to become a congressman or millionaire than a real author, and we have too many bad story tellers as it is.—Lippincott's Magazine.

A Spin on an Ice Yacht.

The wind is strong and steady, and the boat glides faster and faster. Sharp exclamations of pleasure testify that the passengers are enjoying it. The speed increases. Before lies a field smooth as plate glass and level as a billiard table. For two miles it extends without a flaw. At its farther edge lies a tremendous crack filled with ground up ice and heaving black water. The full power of the wind strikes the white wings as the smoothest ice is reached, and the craft darts away at a tremendous pace. Faster, faster, she flies, till she is traveling faster than the wind that drives her. The air seems to be full of electric sparks; a frosty haze blurs the view; every hearer is throbbing with delight at the wild, free speed of it all. Before one has had time to think the crack seems to be rushing at the boat. A moment of intense anxiety, a catching of breaths, a wild pumping of hearts, then a shriek of excited joy. The good boat has flown the gap as a hunter clears his fence, has flung it behind her with never a rap, and is tearing away over another good bit as though she had no need to touch anything more solid than the cold, sweet air.—Outing.

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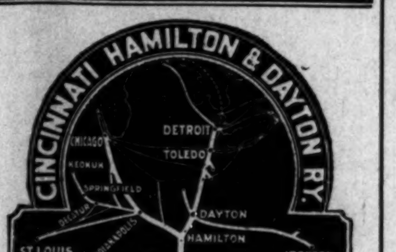

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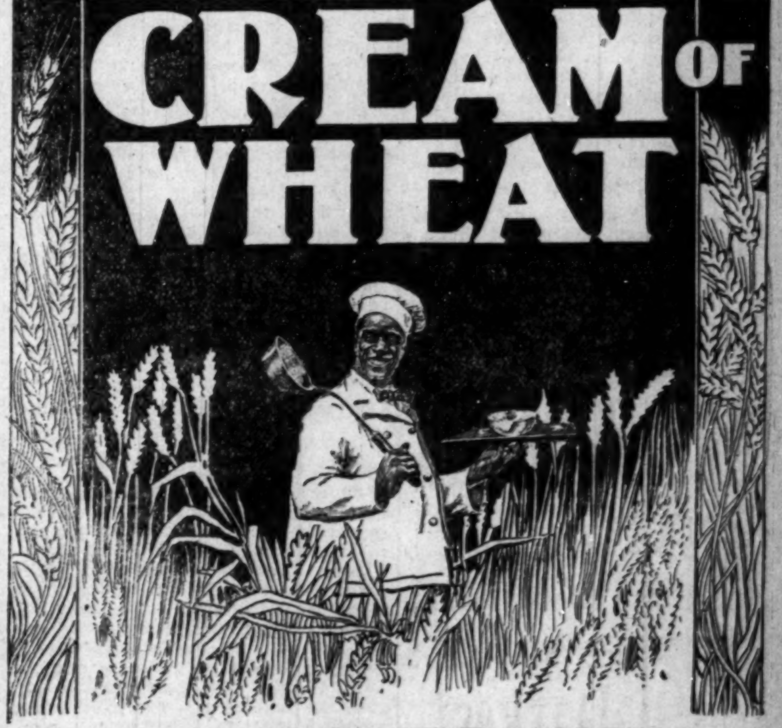

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Mrs. Jennie Wade-Cooper is seriously ill at her home, 320½ Indiana ave.

The Idle Hour Pleasure Club will give a masquerade banquet Valentine night.

Messrs. Thos. Pratt and Robert Brown have assumed charge of the Herculean Club cafe.

Miss Myrtle Wallace has accepted a position with the Ensign Publishing Co.

Mrs. Mary Tolliver, mother of Miss Ada Harris, is very ill at her home, 603 N. California street.

Freddie, eldest son of Rev. and Mrs. D. A. Graham, is seriously ill and his recovery is doubtful.

Rev. Miss Zola Johnson, of Greencastle, occupied the pulpit at Bethel A. M. E. church last Sunday.

A phonographic entertainment was given last Wednesday evening at Corinthian Baptist church.

Rev. Dr. King, of Atlanta, Ga., is assisting Rev. George Sissle, of Simpson's Chapel, in revival services.

The revival services at Olivet Baptist church have closed, with twelve additions to the church.

The revival services have closed at the Second Baptist church, with one hundred and twenty-seven accessions.

A grand parlor musicale will be given by the Utopian Club Monday evening, Feb. 28th, at 327 Ellsworth street.

Quarterly meeting at Bethel A. M. E. chruch to-morrow. Rev. W. O. White will preach the communion service at 2:30.

Creed Dehoney, of 531 South Capitol avenue, was arrested last Sunday, charged with housebreaking and petit larceny.

John Bell, sixteen years old, was arrested last Saturday night, while robbing a blacksmith shop on Prospect street.

Cyrene, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Allen, was baptized last Friday morning at St. Paul's church. Mrs. Felix Davis was sponsor.

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Dr. Jos. H. Ward, Deputy Supreme Chancellor for the District of Indiana K. of P., will go to Noblesville next Tuesday in the interest of the order.

The popularity of Negro songs during the past two winters has practically ruined the demand for popular efforts of any other kind, and the sentimental ballads, whether they involve the overworked "mother" interest or is concerned with some less filial motive is just at present a drug on the market. All the song writers with any talent in this direction have been turning their attention to Negro melodies. There is a charm, a catchiness, to the Negro melodies of our own sunny South possessed by no other music. "Old Folks at Home," "Massa's in the Cold, Cold Ground," "Suwanee River," will live in memory after airs from grand opera have passed away. "Darkest America," which comes to the Park Theater Feb. 17, 18 and 19, has Southland's sweetest singers, camp-meeting shouters and half a hundred cultured voices. The music in "Darkest America" is of the kind that touches the popular fancy. The performance truthfully portrays life as it was in the South before and after the war.

Rev. A. L. Murray will preach a special sermon to the "Anacosta Club" to-morrow evening. A chorus of forty voices will furnish the music.

Mrs. Sallie Jones, of 520 North West street, died last Tuesday evening. She was an aged and respectable citizen and was at one time very wealthy.

Quarterly meeting was held last Sunday at Allen Chapel, Rev. Wakefield preached in the afternoon and Rev. C. C. Townsend preached morning and evening.

The funeral of I. G. Buckner, of 858 Torbett street, occurred last Sunday, under the auspices of the United Brothers of Friendship, of which he was a member.

James D. Williams, who brought action in the Superior Court against Robert R. Bennett, a money lender, has gained his suit and received damages for $250.

Mrs. Ora King, of North Indianapolis, received a telegram this week conveying the news of the death of her stepfather, Mr. William Wayne, of Charleston, Ind.

Be sure you find the office of Grant H. Clay, the only permanently located colored dentist in the city. Prices reasonable. Entrance 95 North Delaware street, southeast corner Delaware and Ohio streets.

The Progressive Union Literary Society held a large meeting at Shiloh Baptist church last Thursday evening. Mr. H. D. Burgheim, the jeweler, presented the society and the church with a handsome clock.

John Dismuke, living at 1015 Maple street, received several ugly gashes in his neck and head last Sunday, by a razor in the hands of Maggie Miller, of 912 Meikel street. She claims that Dismuke insulted her and she was only defending herself as any "lady" would do.

James Veney, a contractor, was arrested this week for stealing $60 from Geo. Bristow. At the trial, which occurred last Tuesday, he was discharged but he and his witnesses were held for gambling. Besides Bristow and his friend Mort Woods, those arrested were Bud Richardson, Thomas White, Robert Page and Austin Scott.

Mrs. Kathryn Crossen Harper, the Queen of Song, sang a solo at the Ninth Presbyterian church last Sunday evening. Miss Georgia Stevenson will render a selection at the services to-morrow evening. Miss Myrtle Hart will accompany her. The public is cordially invited to attend the services at this church.

Dr. Louis Crusius, who died in St. Louis January 2 and whose remains were cremated Jan. 5, was married here in 1892 to Miss Virginia Topp, who was formerly a teacher in the public schools and kindergarten work here. Mrs. Crusius brought the ashes here last week and they were interred in the family lot at Crown Hill. Mrs. Crusius is now with her mother in Irvington.

The application of Miss Stella Hart, who has been making a persistent effort to be reappointed school teacher over the opposition of Superintendent Goss, was laid upon the table indefinitely at the meeting of the board last Friday evening. By this action the board refuses to reinstate Miss Hart. Miss Hart incurred the displeasure of the board by a breach of the rules governing the action of teachers and she was discharged as being insubordinate.

The illness and death of the young stranger, Mr. Jesse Garrett, discloses a type of charity both rare and pathetic. His pitiable condition incited the sympathies of Mesdames A. H. Henderson, Anna Scott and Williams and Findlay, who succored his wants while living and gave his a decent burial when he died. These ladies return thanks to all who contributed and especially to Messrs. George L. Knox and Undertaker Willis. The funeral occurred last Tuesday morning. Rev. Graham officiated.

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Personal and Society.

Mr. David Simons, of Chicago, was in the city last week.

Mr. A. R. Posey visited his father in Rushville last Sunday.

Mr. Charles Nickens, of Mattoon, Ill., visited friends in this city this week.

Mrs. Fanny Titus has returned from a fortnight's visit to relatives in Lebanon, Ky.

Miss Allie M. Woods left Wednesday for Chicago, where she will reside permanently.

Mr. Elwood Knox, manager of The Freeman, visited his wife in Shelbyville, Ky., last Sunday.

Mrs. A. M. Mitchell ,of Knoxville, Tenn., has joined her husband, Marcus Mitchell, of 215 West Vermont street.

Mrs. John Sims, of Edinburg, Ind., attended the marriage of her son, Mr. Isaaac Sims, last Wednesday evening.

Messrs. Fred W. Simpson and Arnold Stevenson, of Al. G. Field's colored minstrels, visited relatives here last Sunday.

Miss Belle Patridge, a charming young lady of Terre Haute, who has been paying an extended visit to relatives in this city, returns to her home to-day.

Misses Bessie and Leota Moker entertained a number of friends last Monday evening at their elegant home in Howard, in honor of Miss Belle Patridge, of Terre Haute.

The Golden Rod Club will meet next week at Mrs. Fannie Hick's residence, 1548 Pleasant street. All members are urgently requested to be present.

Miss Mary Ousley and Mr. Isaac Sims were united in marriage last Wednesday evening at the home of the bride, 1716 Yandes street, Rev. R. D. Leonard officiating.

Mrs. Ida Johnson, of Wood street, entertained last Tuesday evening, a few ladies in honor of her sister, Mrs. John Kennedy, of Louisville, Ky. Mrs. Kennedy returned to her home Wednesday.

The marriage of Miss Eva Winn and Mr. James R. Dawson will be consummated March 30. Miss Winn is a favirote society belle and Mr. Dawson is a staunch representative of our young men.

Mr. James Ross and Miss Mary Mackey, of Columbus, O., were married last Thursday at the cosy home of the groom in Haughville, by Rev. J. W. Carr. They were the recipients of many handsome and valuable presents.

Mrs. Lillian Thomas was invited to deliver an address upon the occasion of the opening, Feb. 8, of the cotton mills at Concord, N. C., to be operated and owned by Negroes. Mrs. Thomas sent a paper, which was read on the occasion.

Rev. I. Tolliver and Prof. Rosburgh, of Texas, were entertained Thursday evening by the Home and Foreign Missionary Society at the residence of Mrs. Susie Trevan, 310 Muskingum street. They were also entertained last Monday morning by the Orinoco Club at Rev. J. W. Carr's residence, 509 North West street.

Dr. Henry Watson Furniss has been the recipient of many honors the past week previous to his departure to assume charge of the Bahian mission. Last Wednesday Mrs. Adam Smoot of California street, entertained the Ugly Men's Club in his honor; on Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Alfred A. Taylor, of North Alabama street, had an "at home" for him; on Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Benjamin Thornton gave a luncheon in his honor, and Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Jno. A. Puryear entertained in his honor. The most elaborate affair was the "at home" given last Monday evening by Dr. and Mrs. B. J. Morgan at their cosy residence in West Sixth street. Dr. and Mrs. Morgan were assisted by Mesdames Chas. Brown, A. H. Henderson, Georgia Porter, George Worthington and Misses Tillie Larter, Nannie Riff, Julia Brown and Bessie White. Dr. Furniss left Thursday for Washington and will sail for Bahia Feb. 19.

Chairman Selected.

Charles S. Hernley, of New Castle, Ind., has been selected as chairman of the Republican State Central Committee. Mr. Hernley has disavowed allegiance to any faction, and insists that he will do his whole duty towards bringing success to the party.

Quarterly Conferrnce.

Terre Haute, Ind., Special—The quarterly conference of the Free Will Baptist church convened Feb. 4 to 6. Rev. O. S. J. Graderson was moderator and M. Thomas was clerk. James Herring and Preston Morton were given license to preach one year each. The next meeting will be held in Indianapolis. * * Rev. M. A. Jones is carrying on revival meeting. * * Harvey Henderson is sick. * * Quarterly conference will be held at Salter Chapel March 30, during which time Bishop Tolber will lecture.

* * Rev. N. N. Farris, of Iowa, is in the city assisting Rev. Jones at the A. M. E. church. * * Miss Ellla Burton has returned from Crawfordsville. * * Rev. B. Hillman is well pleased with his charge. * * Walter Gaitzal is sick. * * There will be an X ray entertainment given by the ladies of the Masonic Lodge at their hall on Third street, Feb. 24.

The Industrial League.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Thursday evening Feb. 3, about one hundred and seventy-five of Muncie's colored citizens met at the A. M. E. church and formed an organization to be known as the Industrial League. The nature of this organization is a protection in all the different avenues of life and to protect the interests of the race. * * Mrs. Lizzie Brazleton was hostess to a company of about twenty-five of her friends Wednesday evening at her home on East Seymore street. Those present were the members of the "Terpsichorean Club." Dancing, cards and music were the diversions of the evening. * * Mrs. John Wallace entertained a company of friends Wednesday evening at her home on Second street. * * Mr. and Mrs. Ohmer Knox, of South Plum street, entertained the members of "The Klondyke" at their cosy home Thursday evening. Various games were enjoyed, after which refreshments were served. * * Messrs. Dunbar and Foulkes have returned to Indianapolis. * * Mrs. Kelly will leave soon for Indianapolis, where she with her family expect to reside permanently. * * Miss Flora Morin has severed her connection with Ball Bros., where she has been employed for the past three years. * * Mrs. D. Shoecraft and daughter, Mrs. Homer Bass, and Miss Adah Shoecraft have just returned from a two weeks' visit to relaitves in Dark county, O. * * Mrs. H. Phillips returned Thursday from Lima, O., where she visited her parents. * * Mr. Woods, of Cabin Creek, was in the city last week. * * Mrs. Rollins has returned from an extended visit to her old home at Portsmouth, O. * * Rev. White returned from Ohio, where he attended the funeral of his father.

His Skull Fractured.

Demopolis, Ala., Special.—Daniel Reese's skull was fractured by a blow from one Wash Patrick, who is now in the county jail. * * Prof. N. W. Burkes, of Faunsdale, and A. S. Johnson, of Gallion, were in the city on business. They are both teaching. * * Rev. F. B. Mooreland, formerly pastor of Bethel Rock A. M. E. church, of this city, and Miss E. A. Scott, of this city, who graduated from Payne Institute, Selma, Ala., were married on the 19th inst. Revs. R. D. Brooks, P. E. Selma District, W. H. Nixon, P. E. Birmingham district, and W. H. Frazier, P. E. Demopolis district, officiated. The reception was at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. A. Murphy. The feature of the affair was changed to mourning at 5 o'clock the following morning by the death of Nelson Scott, the bride's father. * * Miss Fanny Whitehead, a student of the Black Belt Normal Institute, has secured license and is teaching school in Green county, five miles north of the city. * * Mrs. Sarah Bolton is on the sick list. * * Rev. H. L. Starks, newly appointed pastor of the A. M. E. Zion church, is at his post. Also Rev. R. C. Cook, of the A. M. E. church, is at his station. * * Mrs. Dilsy Brown passed away on the 27th in the triumph of the gospel faith. She leaves a husband and daughter and a host of friends to mourn her departure. * * Bishop and Mrs. J. B. Small, of the A. M. E. Zion church, were in the city last week. Mrs. Small preached the night of the 25th to a large congregation, and the Bishop on Wednesday the 26th to a packed house. They left on Friday morning on the east-bound train. * * T. A. Motley runs a first-class restaurant on Strawberry street. * * D. A. Butcher keeps an up-to-date restaurant on Walnut street. * * William Richerson is one of the largest farmers in north Marengo county, 3 miles south of the city. * * Prof. H. R. Tenderson has a flourishing school on Mr. Richerson's place.

Deaths Reported.

New Albany, Ind., Special.—Mr. Calloway, an insurance agent ,is canvassing the city. * * Miss Sallie Hummer is out after a very severe spell of sickness. * * A grand rally will be held at Bethel A. M. E. church Sunday, Feb. 20. Rev. A. Jackson, of Asbury Chapel, will preach at 3 p. m. The choir of Quinn Chapel, Louisville, will be present and render some of their choice selections. * * The Ivy Leaf Quartette, of Indianapolis, gave a concert at Zion A. M. E. church last Saturday. They contested the Kremer Quartette, of this city, at Bethel church, last evening. * * Mrs. Julia A. Brown, wife of A. J. Brown, of Naghel street, died Feb. 4, and was buried Feb. 5. Rev. L. Ratliffe officiated. Mrs. Brown was operated upon for the removal of a tumor. She was 67 years old. * * Rev. S. C. Manuel is expected at Decatur, Ill., to assist in revival meetings. * * Alexander White, of West Seventh street, was buried last Tuesday from Bethel A. M. E. church. Rev. Ratliffe officiated. The deceased leaves a family and many friends. * * George White came home from Evansville to attend the funeral of his father. * * Bethel's "silver tongued" choir is acquiring much fame. They sang at Quinn Chapel Sunday and more than pleased all who heard them. * * The congregation of the Second Baptist church has completed arrangements for a pipe organ. They expect to have the great organ placed in position by March.

The Amount Raised.

Brownsville, Tenn., Special.—The twelve young ladies of the First Baptist Sunday-school, who were selected to solicit money to purchase a Bible for the church, did excellent. The grand total amounted to $53.97. They were Misses Susie Ryon, Anna Marr, Elizabeth Johnson, Lula Owen, Anna Winfield, Harriet Mann, Mamie Lee, Bettie Taylor, Anna Flemming, Leora Estes and Katy Oldham. Misses Katy Oldham and Leora Estes collected the highest amounts, and each received a valuable Sunday-school teachers' Bible . The others received appropriate prizes. * * Rev. W. E. Farmer, of the C. M. E. Church, succeeds Rev. Stevens, who goes to Nashville. He is an able speaker.

Snap Shots.

Racine, Wis., Special.—Miss Lillian Davis is leader of the Episcopal choir. * * Rev. Boyd preached a fine sermon last Sunday. * * P. Graves has gone north to visit his brother. * * Mrs. Edward Blackwell has moved to Milwaukee. * * Katie Anderson will be baptized Sunday morning. * * Oliver Davis is distinguishing himself with his flute solos.

Making War on the Interurban Electric Roads.

The C. H. & D. Ry., have received a telegram from Mr. John W. Hill, Consulting engineer for the Traction company, who is in Philadelphia in company with Mr. Frank Miller, Traveling engineer of the C. H. & D. Ry., to inspect the motor car, which is being built for them by the Baldwin Locomotive Works. Hill wires under date of January 24th: "Motor car tested with load 36 tons; ran 36 miles without touching the fire. Retained steam pressure between 160 and 180 lbs. Made speed at the rate of a mile in one minute and 53 seconds. Grades favorable to the car. Will make test under opposite conditions to-day." From this report it is evident that the Baldwin people have succeeded in turning out about such a car as is wanted. This car will mark a great advance in the handling of suburban traffic by steam railroads.

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